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Meesse Chapel United Methodist Church
County Road 20
Auburn, Indiana

*Examined & approved
Oct 20th 1899
E. J. Hartman
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Meese Chapel United Methodist Church
County Road 60
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Examined & approved
Oct. 20th 1899
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Wm. C. Jones
1899

RECEIVED FOR RECORD.

The 27 day of January
A. D. 1900 at 10 o'clock P. M.
and recorded in Record 57

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William C. Jones

Recorder of Deeds

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to P. DeLeon

Paid \$100

Commissioners Deed-

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That, whereas, at the October term 1899, of the DeKalb Circuit Court, in an action then pending therein, wherein Wilson S. Dancer was the plaintiff and James Lawhead was the defendant, for the partition of the real estate herein described, it was by the order of court recorded in order book 34. page 137. adjudged that said lands were not susceptible of division without injury to the owners and that the same were of less value than a thousand dollars and that the same should be sold at private sale without notice and the undersigned was appointed a commissioner to sell them.

And whereas the said lands were on the 20th of October 1899 in conformity with the order of the court sold to Owen Hensinger, John Cool, and Mary Essig, trustees, and to their successors in office in trust that said premises shall be used kept maintained, and disposed of as a place of Divine worship, for the use of the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal church in the United States of America; subject to the discipline, usage and ministerial appointments of said church as from time to time authorized and declared by the general conference of said church and the annual conference within whose bounds the said premises are situate.

And whereas said sale was duly reported to the court and by an order of the court duly approved and confirmed.

And whereas said court by its order duly entered in order book 34 page 138 directed said commissioner to convey said real estate, the purchase price thereof having been fully paid, to him. Now Therefore in pursuance of said order and in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred and Forty Dollars the price for which said real estate was sold as aforesaid, the same being the full appraised price thereof, I, as commissioner as aforesaid, hereby convey and confirm to said Owen Hensinger, John Cool and Mary Essig, trustees, in trust as aforesaid, and to their successors and assigns, the following real estate to wit:-

A rectangular peice of land ten rods long east and west and eight rods wide north and south, and situate in the north west corner of the east half of the north west quarter of section twenty, in township thirty three north range thirteen east in DeKalb county Indiana, and all the interst of said parties therein, as fully as I may convey the same by the authority aforesaid.

Witness my hand and seal this 20th day of October 1899.

Albert Robbins seal *corn?*

State of Indiana DeKalb county s-s-

Before the undersigned a *Brother* personally appeared Albert Robbins and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing deed.

Witness my hand and official seal this 20th day of October 1899.

Michael H. Lounsbury

Wilson S. Dancer and
Mary E. Dancer,
his wife,

To

The Church of God at
Lockwoods Corners of
DeKalb County.

) WARRANTY DEED \$1.00

) Dated: August __, 1894

) Recorded: August 6, 1895

) RECORD OF DEEDS, DeKalb County,

) Indiana, Vol. 53, Page 135.

The said Grantors CONVEY AND WARRANT to the said Grantee
the following described Real Estate situated in DeKalb County, State
of Indiana, to-wit:

A part of East half of the North West quarter of Section twenty
(20) in township number thirty three (33) North of range thirteen (13)
east, bounded by a line commencing at the North West corner of said
East half and running thence south eight rods, thence east ten rods,
thence North eight rods, thence west ten rods to the place of beginning,

Upon condition that any other religions denomination of Christians
may use said premises and the church building thereon built for worship
when not used by said grantee and the farther condition that said grantee
shall erect and and keep in repair a line of posts for hitching horses
on the South and East sides of said tract at a proper distance from
each other and it is understood between the parties hereto that should
said premises cease to be used for church purposes or should said grantee
fail to fulfill the conditions or any of them hereinbefore required of
them the said premises shall revert to and again become the property
of the grantors or the person or persons who shall own the premises
immediately adjoining said tract hereby conveyed on the South and East
at the date of said reversion.

Signed and Sealed:

Wilson S. Dancer
Mary E. Dancer

Acknowledged by Wilson S. Dancer and Mary E. Dancer, his wife,
on the twenty sixth day of October, 1894, before John Cool, a Justice
of the Peace in and for DeKalb County, State of Indiana.

(No Seal)

At one time, we didn't have a minister, and Rev. Krider walked from Auburn for evening church, and children's meetings.

The first Sunday School Superintendent was Silas Nugen, and Mrs. Scofield started the first Bible School.

Elizebeth Cornell donated \$100.00, and this was used to put electricity in the church.

On the church's 50th anniversary, Alice Ferguson fixed a dish of flowers for the church, Don Schurr was superintendent at the church at that time.

We rededicated, and painted the church in 1943, and the annex was finished in 1952.

In 1954, the furnace was installed, plus we done some redecorating, and we got new church pews in May 1967.

The pews were recoverd, and new carpet installed in the fall of 1984.

September 1, 1984

Meese Chapel History

Lockwood Church of God was later named Meese Chapel Methodist Church.

The church was built by the congregation belonging to the Church of God. It was built on the corner of the W.S. Dancer's farm, and Mr. Dancer donated one-half acre of land that it was built on. It was designated that the land should never be used for anything else except a church. Mr. Dancer, and Mr. James Lockwood built, and payed for it, plus took a mortgage on it.

The last pastor was Rev. Comps, and trouble came in the church, and the mortgage was foreclosed. The church was sold to the Methodist, now being a Methodist Chdrch, instead of the Church of God. It was put on the Spencerville circuit with Rev. E. Peters as pastor.

It was dedicated on October 20, 1899 by Rev. E.E. Fred of Geneva, Indiana. At the meeting of the official board, Mr. John Cool offered \$25.00 if he could name the church. He named it Meese Chapel in honor of Rev. Meese, for Rev. Meese held many revival meetings in the locality many years before. He also organized a Methodist church as early as 1879. He was known as the marrying preacher.

The signers of the deed are as follows:

Mr. Owen Hensinger; Mr. John Cool; Miss Mary Essig.

The ground where the church is, was purchased in 1894, and the Church was built in 1895.

Pastors at Meese Chapel

1899 - Rev. Peters	1945-1946 - Rev. Manford Wright (supplied)
1900 - Rev. Jones	1946 - Rev. Willis Taylor
1913 - Rev. Burt	1946 - Rev. Harley Davis (supplied) - Alva Klopenstein (fill-in)
1914 - Rev. Heart	1947-1949 - Rev. John Hand
1915 - Rev. Valentine	1949 - Rev. Harley Davis (supplied)
1920 - Rev. Charles M. Hollopeter	1950 - Rev. Donald Everett
1921 - Rev. Simons	1951 - Rev. Harry Angel
1922 - Rev. Irwin T. Pusey	1952 - Rev. E. McClelland
1925 - Rev. McClintic	1953-1955 - Rev. Alfred Burk
1927 - Rev. Johnson	1956 - Rev. Keith Davis Rev. Eugene Stalte Rev. A. Kelly
1928 - Rev. Lewis E. Clayton	1958-1959 - Rev. John Dicken Rev. James Fritz
1929 - Rev. George B. Dunham	1965 - Rev. Donald Klopenstein
1930 - Rev. Edgar L. Johnston	1975 - Rev. David Shoemaker
1931 - Rev. Walter M. Hollopeter	1977 - Rev. Eugene Woolever
1936 - Rev. Clark	
1937 to 1940 - Rev. James D. Bell	
1940-1941 - G. Ben Hersberger	
1942 - Rev. G. W. Montgomery	
1943 to 1945 - Rev. H. E. Wiswell	

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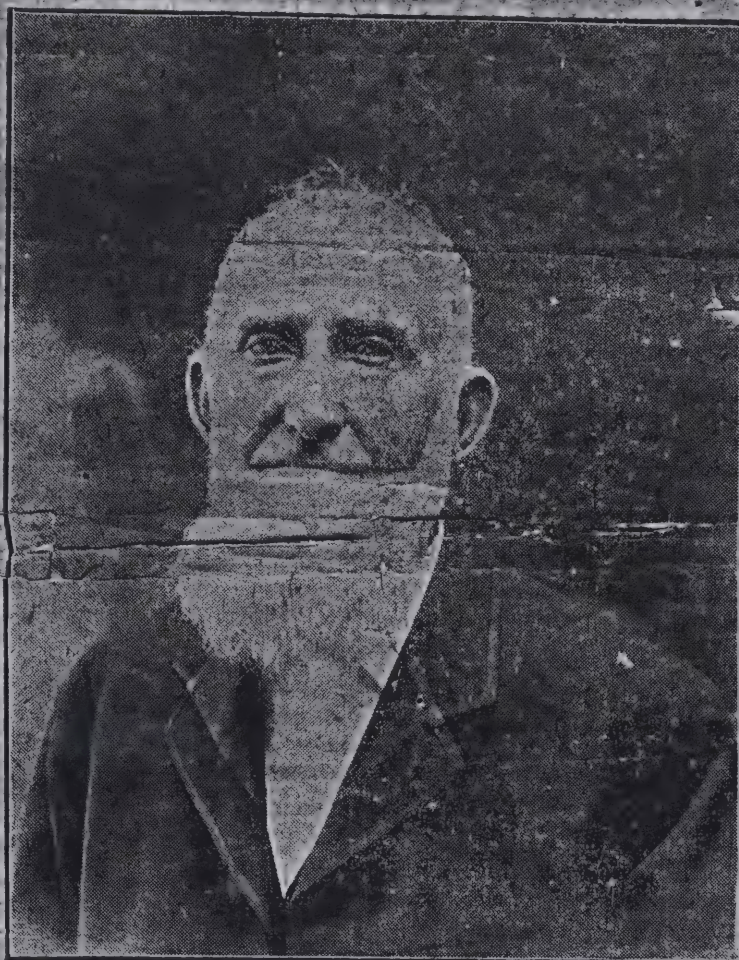
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The remains of Father Meese were brought from Garrett to the home of John Clark, undertaker, Saturday night and kept until Monday when they were taken to Keeran Sisters to await funeral and interment Tuesday, as was the request of the deceased.

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GOOD MAN IS CALLED

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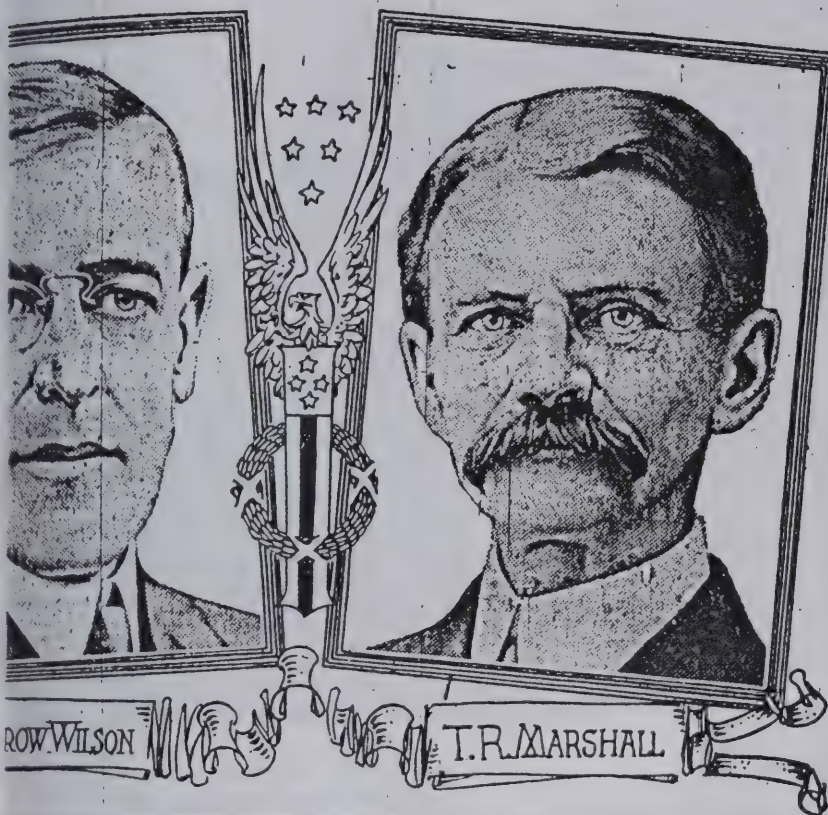


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where he endured the hardships of this vocation incident to the early history of the country.

He located on a farm in Franklin township and later moved to Waterloo, where for several years he was engaged in the grocer's trade. He was not a successful man as the world counts success and his business enterprises did not give him the financial standing he could desire, but he was an honest man and made many friends.

While a resident of Waterloo in 1872 he was nominated for sheriff on the republican ticket and was elected by only 20 majority over G. W. Maxwell, and at the end of his two year term was re-elected in 1874 with a majority of 671 over John Treesh. In this capacity he formed acquaintances in all parts of the county as he made a house to house campaign on foot in his canvass.

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In Sunday School conventions and religious gatherings he was always in evidence and a highly respected worker. He died as he lived, triumphant in the faith that he had so earnestly proclaimed.

The body was taken to the home of the Keeran sisters in Auburn and the funeral occurred at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Rev. F. F. Thornburg of the M. E. church officiating. There was a large attendance of old time friends who desired to pay tribute to the man they had learned to love because of his uniform piety and nobleness of character.

Walks 6,000 Miles.

St. Clairsville, O.—Carl Leipple, graduated with the class of 1912 from the local high school, has walked nearly 6,500 miles to and from school during the four years of his course. He resided at East Richland, four miles from here, and was forced to walk to and from school each day. During that time he never missed a day nor was he ever tardy.

Burns to Death in Cellar Window.

Clio, Mich.—Falling down the cellar steps with a lamp, Mrs. Matthew Hudson set fire to her clothing. She became wedged in a cellar window, trying to get out. Douglas Meek, passing by, tore her burning clothes from her, in an unsuccessful effort to pull her through. She died from her burns.

Is this your paper?

TAX PAYERS CONVEENE INDIGNATION SESSION

AFTER THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR MISDOINGS

FATHERS PUT UP A BLUFF

And Ask that the Court Place Their

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Resolutions Were Passed

at the Meeting

A large number of voters and some heavy tax payers from Waterloo and vicinity attended an indignation meeting held in the opera house at Auburn Thursday afternoon, to protest against the action of the county commissioners in the manner adopted by them of letting the contract for furnishings in the new court house.

There were approximately two hundred citizens of the county present at this meeting, and J. E. Pomeroy, an attorney at Auburn, was chosen president, and William Bachtel, secretary. There was much speech making, and it soon developed that talk would not accomplish anything, and that action was the thing needed, whereupon the following action was taken:

Jerry Foote, of Richland, made a motion, which carried, that a committee of five be appointed to request the county commissioners to appear before the meeting and explain their position. The motion carried, and the committee consisting of Perry Foote, Arthur Daniels, A. E. Sponhour, George Rinehart and J. L. Smith, retired.

The committee reported that the county commissioners declined to attend the meeting.

A committee consisting of one taxpayer from each township, was appointed to draft resolution to be presented to the adjourned meeting to be held Friday. The following constitutes the committee:

Fairfield, Geo. Rienhart.
Smithfield, Archie Bowman.
Richland, Henry Keene.
Grant, William Myers.
Wilmington, H. G. Copen.
Union, J. K. Stafford.
Keyser, S. T. Shutt.
Butler, M. L. Hoffman.
Jackson, John Brown.

The townships of Franklin, Troy, Stafford, Spencer, Concord and Newville were not represented.

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CORUNNA HAPPENINGS.

Special Correspondence

CORUNNA, Ind., March 3.—Miss Rose Thomas spent Friday in Ft. Wayne.....It is reported that Nelson Getts has sold his property on Campbell street to John Shippy.....No thank you, we will not attend the inauguration at Washington this time.....Chauncey Sipe of Kendallville visited his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Sipe, on Friday.....George Dawson sold 7 White Minorcas to a party in Burns, Oregon, a few days ago.....David Luttmann of Allen county visited over Sunday here with relatives.....A sled load of our young people attended the revival meeting at Custer Saturday night.....Emanuel Treesh of Elkhart was the guest of his brother, Harvey, and Jas. DeLong on Friday.....Elder Thomas reports two conversions at Custer Friday night. Interest in the meetings is growing.....Thomas Mason has traded his property in the east end of town for the Vian property east of the school building.....Sunday being the birthday of Thomas Mason and J. P. Becher, the latter's sister, Mrs. E. A. Wise, gave a dinner in honor of the event. Of course the recipients of the honor were both present, also John Becher and wife, S. P. Becher and wife, Howard Becher and wife, Earl Wise, wife and son and Percy Mason.... We understand that none of the bids received by Trustee George Shaffer on Saturday for the building of two school houses in Richland township were accepted, all of them being considered too high.

REV. W. L. MEESE DIED AT GARRETT HOSPITAL

WIDELY KNOWN AS THE MARRYING PARSON

ONE TIME COUNTY SHERIFF

Later he Preached the Gospel and Had Married More Couples Than any Other Preacher in the County

Rev. W. L. Meese died in the Garrett hospital at 4 p. m. Saturday, March 1, 1913, aged 84 years, 2 months and 17 days.

He was born at Canal Fulton, Ohio, in 1828 and came to Franklin Township, DeKalb County in 1855. His father died when he was but 14 years of age, the eldest of a family of eight children, and the early part of his life was spent in canal boating in northern Ohio

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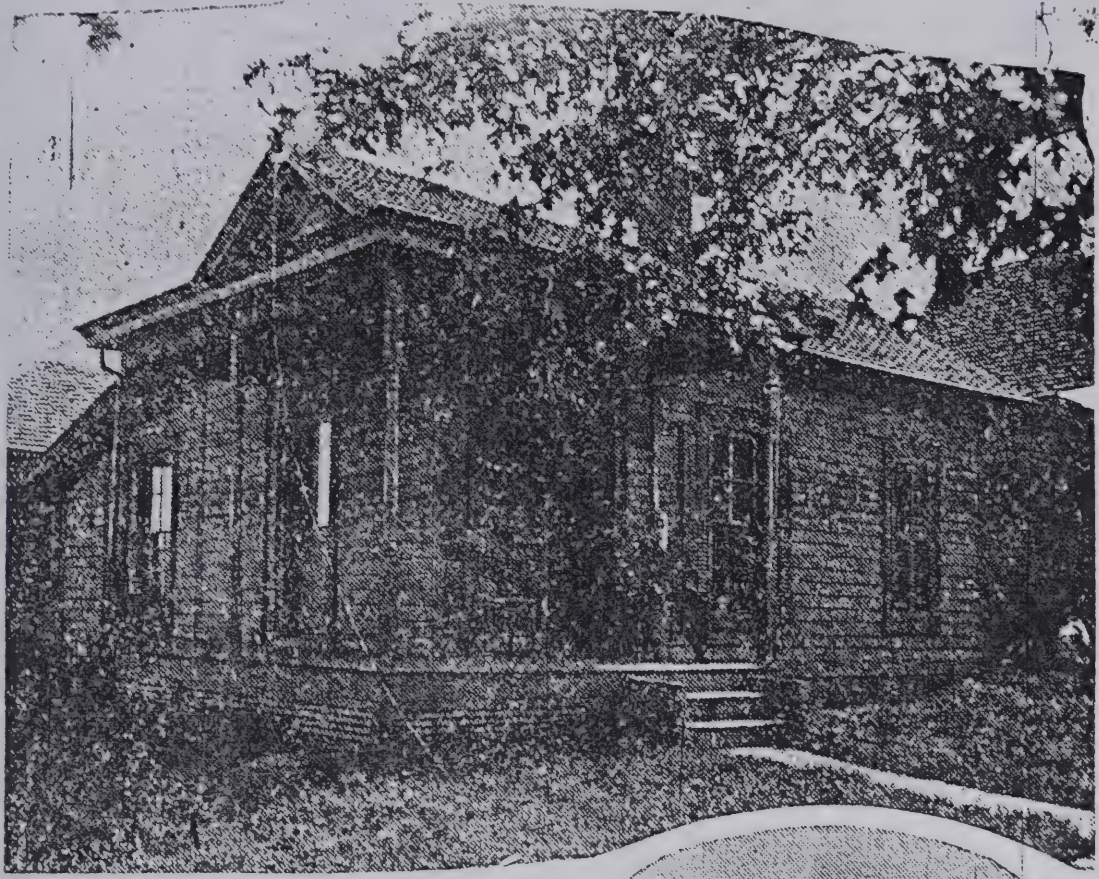
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DeKalb County in 1855. His father died when he was but 14 years of age, the eldest of a family of eight children, and the early part of his life was spent in canal boating in northern Ohio became wedged in a cellar window, trying to get out. Douglas Meek, passing by, tore her burning clothes from her, in an unsuccessful effort to pull her through. She died from her burns.

The townships of Franklin, Troy, Stafford, Spencer, Concord and Newville were not represented.

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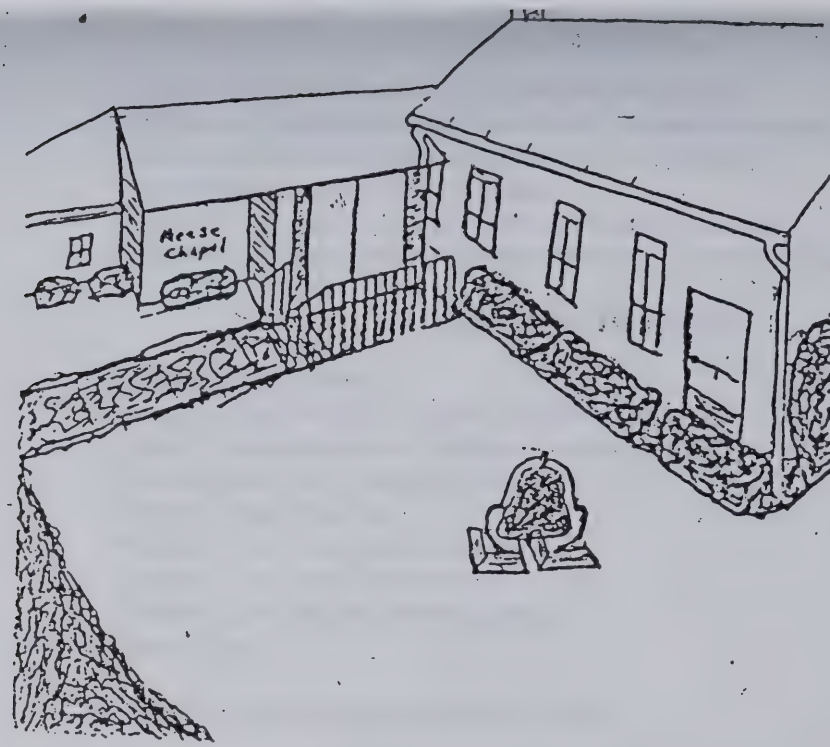
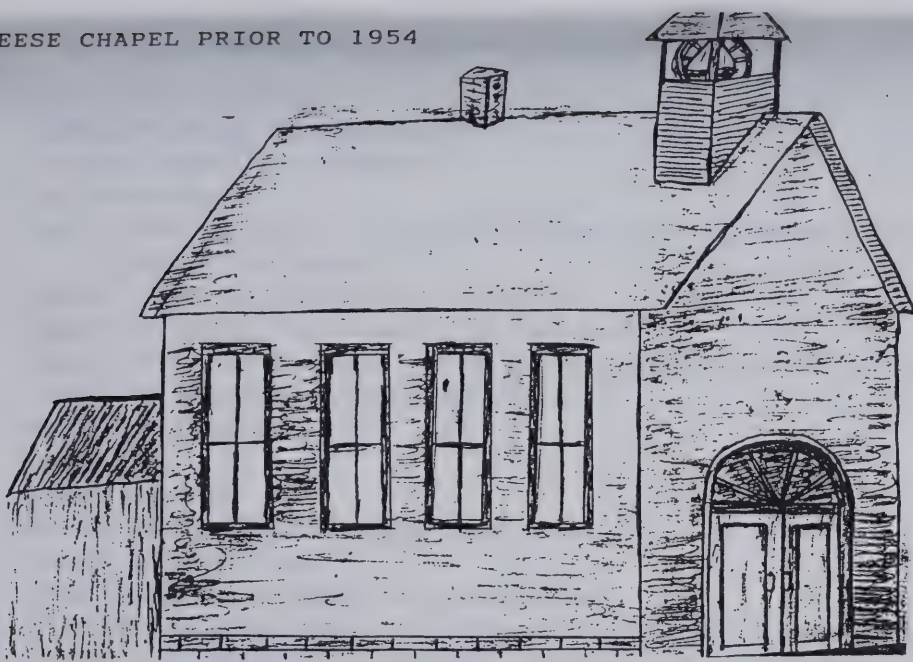
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THE MARRYING PARSON AND HIS HOME

The upper picture is the former country home of Rev. W. L. Meese, and the lower picture is one taken of the late reverend posed to show his parlor where he was waiting the arrival of a couple to be united in marriage. These pictures are presented exclusively by THE PRESS.





THE MARRYIN' PARSON

Rev. W. L. Meese is one of the more colorful characters in the Christian heritage of DeKalb County. He was so called upon to perform weddings that he became known as "The "Marryin' Parson" and, at his death, was believed to have married more couples than anyone else in the county.

Rev. Meese was born in Canal Fulton, Ohio, and was forced to be the provider for his mother and eight younger siblings at the death of his father at age 14. After many years in rugged canal boating he came to DeKalb County in 1855, when it was still a wooded wilderness. After several years as a farmer, he moved to Waterloo and opened a grocery where he was not overly successful. In 1872 he was elected County Sheriff.

In 1864 he was converted in an old fashioned revival meeting at Haverstock's Corners and in 1877



was licensed to preach as a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. After retirement as Sheriff he devoted his time to preaching the gospel in grove and camp meetings throughout the area.

As the number of marriages he had performed increased, he organized the "Meese Matrimonial Association". This association of former newlyweds met annually for a great potluck reunion and words of encouragement in their marital commitment. In this, Rev Meese was perhaps way ahead of his time.

Rev Meese went home to be with the Lord at the age of 84 on March 1, 1913. His memory lives on in the rural church which bears his name, Meese Chapel. But surely his influence lives on in the lives of the grandchildren of many who witnessed

solid family values in their parents gained from the teaching of The Marryin' Parson.

Meese Chapel United Methodist

CO. RD. 60

AUBURN, IN

Sunday School	9:00	Bob DeP
Morning Worship	10:00	October
Lori Heimann		Pianist
Carol Warstler		Organis
Martha Beauchamp		Chorist
Eugene Woolever	Pastor	Ph. 281
Ministers of the Gospel	The Whole Cong	
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MEESE CHAPEL U.M. CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Praylude: Carol Warstler

Lighting of Candles: Sara McWilliams

Welcome: Pastor Gene Woolever

▪ Call To Worship:

Pastor: Shout joy to God, all the earth! Sing to the glory of His name. Offer Him glory and praise.

People: Father, we give You glory and praise!

Pastor: Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds!"

Pastor: All the earth bows down to You; they sing praise to Your name.

Unison: We sing praise to Your name, AMEN

▪ Hymn: *How Great Thou Art* 147

Prayer

Musical Response

Children's Special: *I'll Be A Sunbeam*

Special: Amber Heimann

Tithes and Offerings: (Head Usher Dean Cornell)

"You have dedicated your lives to the Lord. Come, bring your thank offerings to the Lord's table. He will remember your offerings and will look with favor on them. May our gifts be used to the advancing of the kingdom of God and give him glory and honor."

▪ Doxology

Hymn: *Moment By Moment* (on song sheet)

Special: Laura Heimann

Memories: Rev. Stolte

Solo: Junior Boylan

Special: Christine Legler

Message: Rev. Keith Davis

▪ Hymn: *Stepping In The Light* (on song sheet)

Benediction: (Unison) To Him who is able to keep us from falling and to present us before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy-- to the only God, our Savior--be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forever more! AMEN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meese Chapel cookbooks will be available at the Fire Barn after lunch. If you are not going there, they will be available in the church vestibule. They are at a suggested donation of \$4.00 each.

▪ Congregation Please Stand

MANY THANKS TO:

Almighty God for His guidance in planning this event.

Centennial Committee: Margaret Gaskill, Richard Newcomer, Church drawings of before and after 1954: Bob DePew.

To all who had a part in this program.

To all who helped in any way to make this day a success.

Jackson Township Fire Department for the use of the Fire Barn

AFTERNOON PROGRAM:

Blessing of the meal.

Enjoying the good food (thanks to all for providing it).

Hymn: *There's Power In The Blood* (on song sheet).

Presentation: Rep. Dennis Kruse

Special: Angie DePew

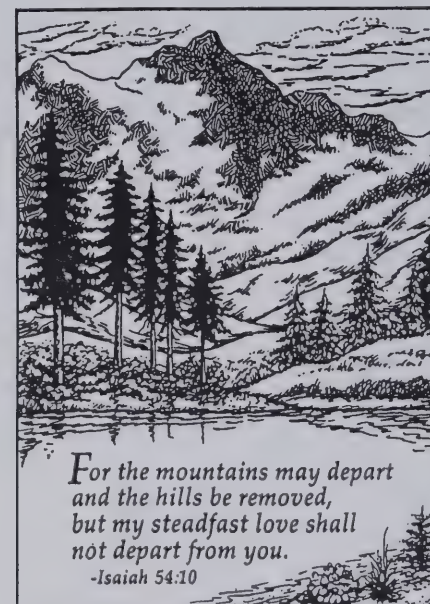
Presentation: Juliann McWilliams

Special: Jennifer & Joe Graves

Time for Memories and Reminiscence

Benediction

(Please visit the Historical Exhibit table)



Woodlawn Cemetery

Block 15 (Con't.)

FARMER, Carl W., b. 1917, d. _____
Velma M., b. 1918, d. _____
William Alonzo, b. 1892, d. 1978, buried 26
Sept. 1978
Rosemary (Heft), b. 1897, d. 1971, buried 20
Oct. 1971

STEVENS, Ivan, no dates given, no stone here

X MEESE, Orrin, father, b. 1859, d. 1915
Hallett, dau., 1912 only date given, no stone
here

SEERY, John D., b. 18 Dec. 1885, d. 17 April 1912

ELSWORTH, Mrs., 1911 only date given, no stone here

TAILOR, Child, 1909 only info. given, no stone here

KOONTZ, W.F., 1910 only date given, no stone here

DAYMAN, Child of John, 1910 only date given, no stone
here

BAKER, John, b. 27 Feb. 1823, d. 6 Nov. 1899

STAFFORD, No info. given, no stone here

SHEETS, Ella, dau. of Charles and Julia, b. 1887,
d. 1896
Millie, dau. of Charles and Julia, b. 1885,
d. 1896
Carl, son of Charles and Julia, b. 1892,
d. 1896

FAMILY GROUP NO.

Husband's Full Name WILLIAM L. MESE

This Information Obtained From:

Census	1860-70	Birth	14 Dec 1828	City, Town or Place	Cinal Fulton	County or Province, etc.	STARK	State or Country	OH	Add. info. on Husband
		Chr'd								
		Mar.	1850							
		Death	1 Mar 1913							
		Burial		AUBURN (EVERGREEN)						IN
		Places of Residence	LAWRENCE STARK Co, OH							
		Occupation	Farmer/Preacher		Church Affiliation		Military Rec.			
		Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.	Make separate sheet for each mar							
		His Father	Mother's Maiden Name							

Wife's Full Maiden Name Margaret L. Norton

Wife's	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Wife	
Birth	6	MAY	1830			OH		
Chr'd								
Death	17	Mar	1894					
Burial		AUBURN (EVERGREEN)						IN
		Places of Residence						
		Occupation if other than housewife	Church Affiliation					
		Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc.	Make separate sheet for each mar					
		His Father	Mother's Maiden Name					

Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. info. on Children
1	Rebecca	Birth	ca	1853					
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
2	Celia L. Levina	Birth	ca	1857	(Rocelia L.)			IN	Edith
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.	11	May	1876	Sec A DeKalb		IN	Gracie
	Ira T. Eaton	Death	06	Jun	1937	Evergreen Cem; Auburn, IN			
		Burial							
3	Orrin	Birth	ca	1859				IN	
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death			1915	Woodlawn Cem, Blk 15; Auburn			Hallett dau
		Burial				dau Hallett 1912 only date given, no stone			
4	Burton V.	Birth	9	Mar	1864			IN	
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death	30	SEP	1873	Sec A			
		Burial				AUBURN (EVERGREEN)		IN	
5	Letitia Ophella	Birth	ca	1869				IN	
	Full Name of Spouse* Reichelderfer	Mar.	9	Aug	1894	DeKalb		IN	Blk 3
	Julius orville	Death			1894	Woodlawn Cem; Auburn, IN			1894-1895
		Burial				Pearle Meese Reichelderfer; son of Lettie			
6	Charley S.	Birth	27	APR	1872				
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death	1	APR	1874				
		Burial				Auburn			
7		Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8		Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
9		Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
10		Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Mar.							
		Death							

T.J. GIBSON'S **office direct**

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MEE - MIL

Meek Charles M	M W	64	Feb	9	1917	-- --	H-8	43
Meek Eliza J	F W	64	Aprl	12	1901	Garrett	2CH-23	5
Meek John	M W	89	Oct	28	1899	Waterloo	H-8	6
Meek Maky	F W	69	Sept	21	1912	DeKalb County	H-13	50
Meeks William	M W	79	Aug	21	1912	Nowville Twp.	H-13	48
XMoose Margaret	F W	--	Mar	17	1894	Auburn	H-11	29
XMoose Sarah F: John	F W	22	Sept	17	1884	Wilmington Twp.	H-11	9
XMoose William L	M W	84	Mar	1	1913	Auburn	1CH-27	21
Melendy H B	M W	--	Nov	27	1912	Keyser Twp.	H-13	51
Meloy Maurin	M W	17	Oct	2	1918	Smithfield Twp.	H-8	47
Monge Lily Marie	F W	6/12	Mar	25	1910	Garrett	2CH-23	29
Menges	M W	Stillborn	May	12	1916	Butler Twp.	H-13	91
Menzie Walter	M W	1/30	Mar	23	1908	Garrett	2CH-23	25
Mercea	M W	Stillborn	Feb	7	1911	Garrett	2CH-23	32
Mergy Artie	M W	13	Aug	31	1894	Waterloo	H-8	4
Mergy Artie	M W	13	Aug	31	1894	Waterloo	H-11	33
Mergy Cathen	F W	82	Nov	19	1917	-- --	H-8	45
Merica Catharine	F W	75	Feb	13	1918	Garrett	2CH-24	38
Merica Marrilla C	F W	37	Nov	3	1908	Garrett	2CH-23	26
Merica William	M W	75	Sept	8	1915	Butler Twp.	H-13	84
Merryfield Wilroy	M W	4	Aug	7	1920	Auburn	1CH-27	57
Mertz Emma Maria	F W	32	Jan	8	1915	Fairfield Twp.	H-13	76
Mertz Johanna E	F W	25	July	5	1908	Fairfield Twp.	H-13	8
Mertz	M W	--	Feb	12	1911	-- --	H-13	33
Message George	- -	89	Feb	7	1920	-- --	2CH-24	61
Message George	M W	89	Feb	7	1920	Altona	H-29	79
Metcalf Andrew	M W	54	Aprl	9	1916	Butler Twp.	H-13	91
Metcalf D D	M W	79	Aprl	9	1919	Auburn	1CH-27	50
Metcalf Elza Clinton	M W	--	Jan	17	1908	Troy Twp.	H-13	3
Metcalf Emeline	F W	74	Aug	25	1919	Sponcer Twp.	H-10	50
Metcalf Henry	M W	60	Sept	13	1913	Union Twp.	H-13	62
Metcalf Ida (Mrs)	F W	61	Dec	17	1918	Auburn	1CH-27	46
Metcalf James Reuben	M W	73	Mar	19	1916	Wilmington Twp.	H-13	89
Metcalf Margaret (Mrs)	F W	66	Aprl	14	1919	Auburn	1CH-	50
Metcalf Olis D	M W	21	Oct	14	1898	DeKalb County	H-12	11
Metts Perry	M W	61	Sept	4	1919	Auburn	1CH-27	52
Metzler Caroline	F W	57	Nov	9	1916	Garrett	2CH-24	28
Moyers	F W	1/30	Aug	15	1900	Garrett	2CH-23	2
Michael Walter W	M W	17	Sept	13	(1917)	-- --	H-8	44
Michaeli Salvatori	M W	45	Aug	14	1908	Garrett	2CH-23	26
Michoffy Harry M	M W	4/30	Feb	24	1890	Butler	H-11	159
Miel Q	M W	32	Aug	--	1890	Concord Twp.	H-11	209
Mies William P	M W	8/12	Aprl	23	1900	Garrett	2CH-23	1
Millodge Charles A	M W	2	July	26	1908	Butler Twp.	H-13	7
Millon	F W	--	Sept	7	1899	Auburn	1CH-25	1

EVERGREEN CEMETERY

Auburn, IN

Section A (con't.)

Lot #54 LINK, (con't.)

Francis M., d. Jan. 24, 1869, ae 1m,
25d
Father
Forest C.

Lot #55 BUMPUS, Russell, d. Sept. 22, 1879, ae 69y,
5m, 26d
Emmet W., d. Aug. 1, 1874, ae 13y,
9m, 19d
Howard D., d. Apr. 4, 1875, ae 16y,
7m, 12d
Sons of Russell and Susan Bumpus

X Lot #56, 57 EATON, Edith
Gracie
Rocelia L.
Ira T.
Ira T., b. May 15, 1855, d. Oct.
11, 1916
Rocelia L., his wife, b. May 31,
1857, d. June 6, 1937

X Lot #56, 57 MEESE, Wm. L., b. Dec. 14, 1828, d. Mar
1, 1913
Margaret L., his wife, b. Mar.
6, 1830, d. Mar. 17, 1894
Burton W., b. Mar. 9, 1864, d.
Sept. 30, 1873,
Charley S., b. Apr. 27, 1872, d.
Apr. 1, 1874
Father
Mother

Lot #58 FRIEND, Mary L., wife of James C., d. Feb. 5,
1877, ae 20y, 2m, 19d

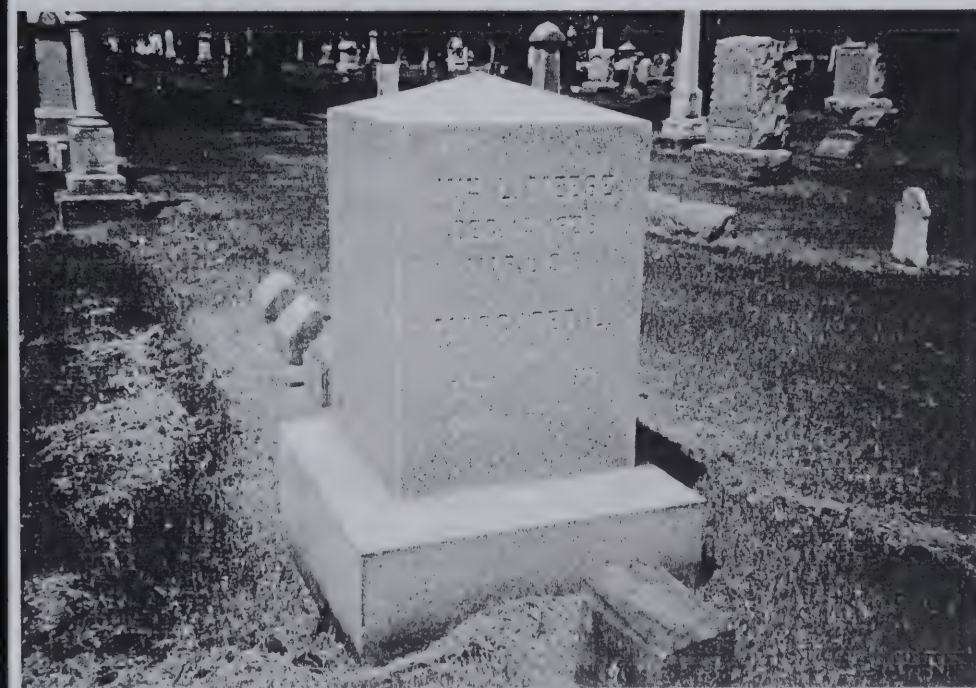
Lot #58 HILKEY, Susanna, wife of J., d. Oct. 11,
1875, ae 31y, 8m, 28d
Charles D., son of J.E. and S., d.
Apr. 6, 1871, ae 11y, 9m, 8d



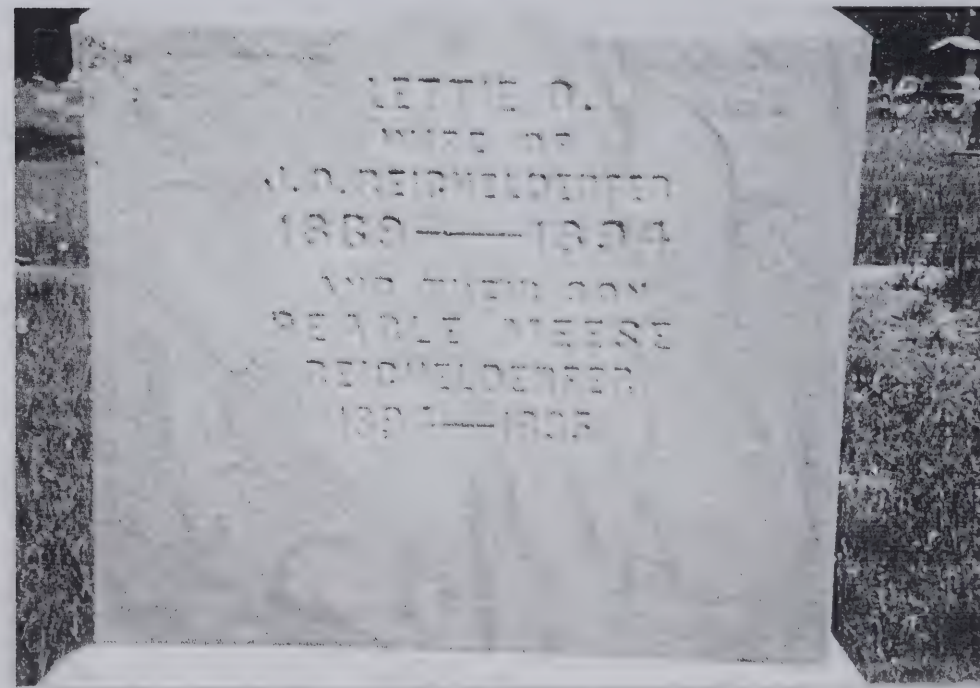
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LETTIE DAUGHTER
 WM & MARGARET MEES
 JESS GRANDSON
 CLOUDLAWN CEM, BLK 3
 AUBURN, IN

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LOSER VIEW
 LETTIE & SON
 CLOUDLAWN CEM, BLK 3
 AUBURN, IN

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WM & MARGARET
 WHITE MARGARET
 EVERGREEN CEM
 SEC A
 AUBURN, IN

WM & MARGARET MEES
 ROSELAWN CEM
 SEC A
 AUBURN, IN

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**Married Hundreds- Novel Reunion in
Indiana-Pastor Meese Has Called
together the 1,500 couples He Has
United and They will Celebrate at
Auburn on August 20.**

Auburn Courier August 13, 1896

Huntington, Ind., Aug. 2-One of the queerest reunions in the history of Indiana will take place at Auburn, DeKalb County, Ind., on Aug. 20. It is to be composed of the men and women who have been united in marriage by the Rev. W. L. Meese during his ministry there. They form a fair proportion of the population of DeKalb County besides being represented in every other state in the union. This novel idea has taken immensely with them and the prospects are that there will be a gathering that will be memorable.

For years the Rev. William L. Meese or "Uncle Billy," as he is called, has officiated at a large share of the matrimonial ceremonies held in that county. Finally it developed into a popular impression that the thing was not properly done unless it had his pious sanction. This has been especially the case among the rustics, until now the peace-loving man can not put his finger on the county map without covering broad acres tilled by men who were made benedicts by him. How many there are of them the parson does not know and the records do not disclose, but he has officiated in that capacity more times than has any other minister now living in this section, and it is safe to say that the number will reach 1,500. Of these many have since attained distinction in different walks of life, and is a fact of which the Rev. Meese is proud that very few of his marriages have been undone by divorce courts.

Programme of the Reunion

The novel programme proposed for Aug. 20, was brought about by the desire of Mr. Meese to round out his active ministry by a grand gathering of all those whom he has started out in life. He announced the idea several weeks ago and it met with

instantaneous approval. Letters of congratulations and offers of assistance came pouring in and at this early date is an assured success. Speakers of local prominence have been secured to address the gathering. It will be an all day affair. A brass band has been engaged to enliven the occasion with music and a great chorus of voices will assist it.

The reunion will be held in a beautiful grove at the edge of town. There will be hammocks and swings and enough good things to eat to make the hearts of visitors glad. Intermingled with the music will be oratory and recitations and the finale will be a grand march led by the first couple married by Rev. Mr. Meese. They are George Swineford and wife (nee Belle Hornberger). The newest married couple will have the honor of the left of the line and no one will venture to guess who they will be, as Mr. Meese has announced that he will marry anyone free on that day who will make an application.

When the procession has reached the proper position it will about face and will be "taken" by a local photographer who has been fortunate enough to secure the exclusive right to the job.

That is the programme as now made out for the first matrimonial reunion ever held in this country so far as known.

Sketch of the Minister

The man who is thus honored was born in Canal Fulton, O., on Dec. 14, 1828. He was confirmed in the Catholic Church at Massillon in 1844. He was a towboy on the Wabash and Erie canal from 1846 to 1853 and moved to Indiana in 1855. He joined the Methodist church in 1856 and in the same year was licensed as an exhorter. In 1877 he was licensed to preach. He was elected sheriff of DeKalb County in 1872 and again in 1874.

During the forty years of his work as an exhorter and minister he has made the acquaintance of nearly every man, woman and child in the county. His popularity with the country people is boundless. He officiates at their marriages and funerals and is consulted in naming the new-born

children. It has been said that some of these people would refuse to die unless they were assured that "Uncle Billy" would officiate at their funerals.

Notwithstanding his life of activity and success as a minister he is poor. He is charitably inclined and is a splendid type of the old time preacher. He was never a

politician in the popular sense of the word; yet when he ran for sheriff he overturned an adverse majority. It has been estimated that if only persons whom he had married with their descendants, were to vote for him, he could be elected to any office in the county.

MATRIMONIAL

Record of Those who were in Attendance and Registered at the Meese Reunion at Auburn, Indiana, Thursday, August 20th, 1896 (from the Auburn Courier)

Name	Woman	Residence	Date	Children
George Swineford	Isabel Hornberger	Mt. Hope	Nov. 2, 1879	-
Silas S. Potter	Etta Lochner	Auburn	June 5, 1889	1
Edward Beaty	Anna Lochner	Auburn	Nov. 20, 1888	1
Thomas Horner	Lina Surface	Auburn	Mch. 28, 1880	5
John L. Keeran	Anise C. Beeber	Auburn	Sept. 25, 1884	1
George W. Quince	Viona Durham	Auburn	April 25, 1885	2
Oscar Hanes	Carrie Myers	Angola	Dec. 23, 1886	-
Thomas Cool	Amanda Myers	Auburn	June 12, 1881	6
G. W. Burtzer	Rachael A. Lyon	Auburn	Sept. 4, 1881	2
Wm. P. Lucas	Ella Boyle	St. Joe	Sept. 9, 1885	-
David Heitz	Emma Willer	Butler Twp.	Oct. 12, 1890	3
Thos. C. Stafford	Ida A. Moore	Auburn	Mch. 6, 1878	3
John C. Lochner	Darley Clark	Auburn	May 9, 1894	1
Reuben Clouse	Manda Lacy	Auburn	Feb. 17, 1882	3
W. B. Rohn	Phebe C. Townley	Waterloo	Dec. 23, 1893	-
Joseph Ferguson	Cora Kosht	Union Twp.	Dec. 27, 1890	1
William Clouse	Maude Miltop	Auburn	Jan. 29, 1882	3
Joseph Kelham	Lydia Simon	Butler Twp.	Mch. 29, 1882	3
August Bohlke	Myrtle Maurer	Auburn	May 6, 1890	1
Alex D. Freeman	Sylvia Bailey	Auburn	April 18, 1880	7
A. C. Baker	Minerva Knight	St. Joe	Nov. 10, 1885	1
C. W. Lanham	Lizzie Clouse	Auburn	Sep. 10, 1891	2
M. Springer	Laura Carper	Auburn	Mch. 25, 1891	2
W. S. Dancer	Mary E. Cool	Jackson Tp	Mch. 11, 1880	7
James Freeman	Anna Beugnot	Butler Tp	Feb. 5, 1895	1
David Dulaney	Margaret Carr	Auburn	Dec. 20, 1887	2
Jacob M. Smith	Ida Fansler	Cedar Creek	feb. 23, 1888	1
David Matheny	Mary Hough	Auburn	Sep 25, 1882	2
Albert Thrush	Ella Pepple	New Era	Jan. 1, 1882	5
Wm. Fitch	Lucinda DePotte	Ft. Wayne	Mch. 22, 1892	2

Name	Woman	Residence	Date	Children
Clyde Brandon	Clara Hough	Auburn	Dec. 25, 1887	3
F. A. Squires	Della McConahey	Auburn	Dec. 24, 1887	1
Geo. W. Beeber	Lydia Hall	Auburn	Sep. 30, 1881	2
John Clark	Eva Wise	Auburn	Nov. 24, 1881	-
H. A. Penland	Minnie Hallam	Auburn	June 25, 1892	2
E. T. Cochran	Belle Shook	Auburn	Mch. 24, 1886	-
F. E. Hensinger	Belle Crum	Auburn	July 3, 1891	2
Ellis Cartright	Kate Hensinger	Auburn	Apr. 16, 1891	2
John Strouse	Millie Osburn	Auburn	Apr. 10, 1884	4
L. E. Harding	Alice King	Linn Grove	Apr. 7, 1887	-
Frnak Cosper	Jane McDaniel	Auburn	Nov. 2, 1882	2
B. Bailey	Nettie J Wise	Auburn	Dec. 25, 1889	1
Daniel Houk	Arilla Kiner	spencerville	Nov. 22, 1883	3
Serenus Haag	Ella Draime	Cedar Creek	July 28, 1888	3
Edward Kelham	Viola Whetzel	Garrett	Feb. 1, 1880	4
William O. Stantes	Laura Anderson	Auburn	Jan. 1, 1891	3
Joseph Cochran	Mary E. Miser	Auburn	Oct. 6, 1881	3
W. L. Moore	Inez B. Smurr	LaGrange	Aug. 16, 1885	1
Uriah Shank	Rebecca Stonestreet	Cedar Creek	Sep. 25, 1880	2
S. F. Morr	Effa Provines	Auburn	June 27, 1891	3
Jno W Bucher	Ellen Gulick	Auburn	July 2, 1891	2
R Blum	Rose A Shaffer	Garrett	Mch 29, 1888	1
Cory Shugers	Ida Wildeson	Auburn	Oct 17, 1889	-
Levi Barnhart	Ida Smurr	Mooresville	Oct 21, 1883	4
Samuel Watson	Clara Slusser	Huntington	Sept 12, 1880	4
J M Brown	Malinda Stafford	Oufa	Dec. 18, 1880	4
Norman Donalson	Lida Reed	Auburn	Oct 18, 1891	2
L.F. Weygandt	Jennie Freeman	Ft. Wayne	Apr. 2, 1889	2
Jacob Shull	Elizabeth A. Morr	Auburn Jc.	Jan. 8, 1891	2
Wm. Blodgett	Pluma Miller	Auburn	Nov. 16, 1893	1
Miles Embry	Jennie Weygandt	DeKalb P O	Jan. 8, 1888	1
Wm. G. Boren	Ida A Wasler	Auburn	Feb. 8, 1886	3
Wilbert Lutz	Etta Pugsley	Concord	Aug. 18. 1896	-
John Spear	Cora Boren	Auburn	Jan 12, 1896	-
John D. Essig	Mary E. Carnahan	Auburn	Dec. 1, 1888	2
J. R. Lewellyn	Alice Ridge	Waterloo	Apr. 3, 1886	-
Joseph Morr	Lucy B. Frick	Waterloo	Oct. 25, 1892	2
Walter G. Pugsley	Maude E Haney	Butler	July 23, 1896	-
Wm. Watson	Bertha Grim	Spencerville	Mch. 28, 1891	3
Willard J. Potter	Jennie Wenrich	Auburn	Aug. 12, 1886	2
N. S. Squires	Christina Wagner	Auburn	Oct. 9, 1890	3
C. V. Brandon	Almeda Myers	Auburn	Jan. 15., 1887	1

Name	Woman	Residence	Date	Children
Samuel Noel	Susan Draime	Garrett	Jan. 26., 1882	3
Samuel Culver	Anna Rakestraw	Auburn	Jan. 11, 1892	-
Tim McDowell	Adda Essick	Auburn	Dec. 20, 1886	2
James M. Owens	Junie E. French	Auburn	Dec. 18, 1886	3
Henry H. Witt	Rosa A. Lahnum	Auburn	Dec. 23, 1889	-
Clinton J. Feagler	Florence L. Pence	Altona	Apr. 2, 1896	-
Emmett Kosht	Jennie Ferguson	Auburn	Apr. 17, 1893	-
Porter Depew	Dora Bailey	Auburn	Jan. 12, 1885	1
John Lawrence	Emma A. Sheffer	Auburn	Dec. 18, 1885	-
T. F. Elson	M. E. Cornell	Auburn	Oct. 14, 1880	5
Thomas Mason	Diana Hathaway	Garrett	Sep. 9, 1881	7
Louis Culler	Carrie Shaffer	Chicago, Ill	Sep. 4, 1883	2
H. M. Phillips	Alice A. Wise	Auburn	July 22, 1882	1
Geo. Kelham	Nettie Yard	Swan	Apr. 18, 1886	2
J. H. Walters	Rose Houston	Auburn	May 31, 1888	1
J. M. Carmer	Nora Reasoner	Auburn	Dec. 4, 1890	2
M. W. Bishop	Hannah E. Brown	Auburn	Dec. 24, 1885	-
A. M. Carr	Anna Strebe	Auburn	Nov. 26, 1889	2
A. Mason	Elmina Mitchell	Auburn	Dec. 17, 1890	1
Silas Nugen	Emma Bartels	Auburn	Oct. 1, 1885	-
Wm. Armstrong	Lizzie Bowen	Auburn	July 9, 1882	6
Elsworth Draggoo	Cora Stout	Butler	Nov. 19, ----	4
Wm. H. Grube	- Sheets	Auburn	Dec. 18, 1889	1
Clinton Potter	Georgie Maxwell	Auburn	Nov. 29, 1889	1
John W. Cool	Alice Armstrong	Auburn	Mar. 27, 1885	-
Frank Groves	Sarah J. Hensinger	Auburn	Mar. 21, 1883	-
Dr. F. M. Hines	- Carper	Auburn	Mar. 29, 1885	5
Geo. Chapman	Winnie Potter	Auburn	Nov. 27, 1889	2
Marion Osburn	Rickie Kruger	Auburn	-	-
Grant Owen	Ora Hoffman	Auburn	Dec. 6, 1885	2

CHURCHES 1860-1869 PROJECT

Notice all persons knowing themselves to be members of the Regular Baptist Church of Auburn, are requested to meet on the first Saturday of July next at 2 o'clock p.m. at the residence of S. B. WARD. New Era June 21, 1862

From the Diary of Lewis RUDE for
1864 Franklin Township

Sunday, February 14, 1864

Today we went up to
HOVERSTOKS meeting house to church

and they had a good time. The took
Sacrament and then we come home and
Theoph and Lenora PHILIPS was at our
house and at night we went to church again
at the same place and they had a good
meeting and they had some Shouting.

DEDICATION

The German Reformed Lutheran's
dedicated to the worship of the Lord their
new church edifice on Sabbath last. There
was more in attendance on the occasion than
could gain entrance. The exercises were

1935

CANCER CLAIMS LIFE AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. Martha Ellen Elson, Mother of Harve Elson of Auburn, Dies at Age of 75 Years

Mrs. Martha Ellen Elson, residing five miles south of Auburn in Jackson township, died Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock as the result of cancer at the age of 75 years. Mrs. Elson had been confined to her bed for twelve weeks.

The widow of Thomas F. Elson who died twenty years ago, the deceased resided on the farm with two of her sons, Lester and Irvin. There are three other sons, Harve B. Elson of 209 East Nineteenth street, a member of the Auburn city council, George Elson of Fort Wayne and Frank Elson of LaOtto. A daughter, Mrs. Arthur Dancer resides in Fort Wayne. There are also seven grandchildren and one great grandchild. Mrs. Elson is the last survivor of her family.

The deceased was a member of Meese Chapel church located in Jackson township.

The funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock DST from the John R. Clark funeral home in Auburn. Rev. Walter Hollopeter will officiate, assisted by Dr. Manfred C. Wright, pastor of the First M. E. church of Auburn, and burial will be made in Woodland cemetery.

*Found in Rush Marshall's
things after his death
Lived 3 m. N of Carroll farm.*



E. T. C. M. HOSPITAL
KOLAR, MYSORE STATE, INDIA

January 1957.

DEAR FRIENDS,

Some of you must be wondering what has happened to me for it has been about a year since you have heard from me. 1956 was a busy year at E.T.C.M. Hospital, as the enclosed booklet reveals. Since it gives a good picture of the year's work, I shall not write about hospital affairs in this letter.

It was a great inspiration to have the privilege of attending the three days of meetings conducted by Dr. Billy Graham in Madras last January; the results of those meetings were far reaching. I understand that he is starting a campaign in New York City this month, and pray that this humble, consecrated, servant of God may be used by Him for the salvation of many in that great city.

Two weeks of evangelistic services in our Kolar Church last year, one during Passion Week and the other in August, the latter under the leadership of Dr. J. T. Seamands, whom many of you know, brought spiritual refreshment to many. A number of our staff and students received much help during these meetings as they surrendered themselves to Christ. Perhaps the greatest results were in the girls boarding school where twelve of the older girls found Christ as their Saviour. Eleven of these girls were already nominal Christians, and one was a Roman Catholic. There is still great need for a revival among the membership of the Church, so please remember this need in your prayers.

In January of last year Miss Sundra Edwards came to Kolar as the principal of our Girls School. Under her experienced and capable leadership many improvements in various departments of the school have been brought about during the year. Her own deep spirituality and her constant concern for the needs of the boarding girls have had a far reaching influence in the conversion of these girls.

Our South India Conference has been blessed by the arrival of two new missionaries. Miss Carol Sibert, a public health nurse, arrived in October and is now doing language study in Belgaum, near the village health centre where she hopes to work. Dr. Jean Tarwater arrived in April and we have been most happy to have her in Kolar. At present she is doing full time language study and is living at the school. Many of you saw her picture in the May "Methodist Woman." She is as sweet as she looks in the picture and we all love her.

Instead of taking my usual vacation during the hot season I waited until later in the year and took it on the "Installment plan." The last of October I spent a week-end with Gladys Webb in North India, and then went with her to Lucknow for The Centenary of The Methodist Church of Southern Asia. The Centenary celebrations were four wonderful days filled with inspiration, closing with a communion service in which more than four thousand people took part. Those of you from North Indiana Conference will be interested to know that I saw Mrs. Roose from Goshen and Rev. Harold Neel from Mishawaka there. And Asbury friends will be happy to learn that I met Rev. Elton Jones and Dr. Z. T. Johnson. The latter treated all former Asburians to a chicken dinner one evening; there were around twenty-five present and we had a fine hour of fellowship. A second "installment" of my vacation was a week's sight-seeing trip by car through Mysore State immediately after Christmas with Jean Tarwater, Sundra Edwards, and another friend.

Several have asked when and how I am coming home. Esther Faulkner, of the World Gospel Mission, and I are booked to sail from Calcutta about April 8 on the "Wonorato" of the Java Pacific Line. This ship is a freighter and so the sailing date may be changed. The trip will take approximately six weeks. We have not yet had definite word as to where we will disembark, but it will be one of the California ports. We were booked on a British ship which was scheduled to go through the Suez. In November we decided to ask for a Pacific sailing and were offered accommodations on the "Wonorato" within three weeks. At a time when sailings are difficult to get, we feel that this reservation, secured so quickly and easily, must surely be God's plan for us. Needless to say, I am thrilled at the prospects of getting to see friends in California before proceeding to Indiana. My headquarters after my arrival in the States will be c/o Rev. & Mrs. A. R. Morford, 1310 S. Courtland Ave, Kokomo. Indiana.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you after my arrival home. Until then, may God richly bless you.

Yours in His love
MAXINE COLEMAN

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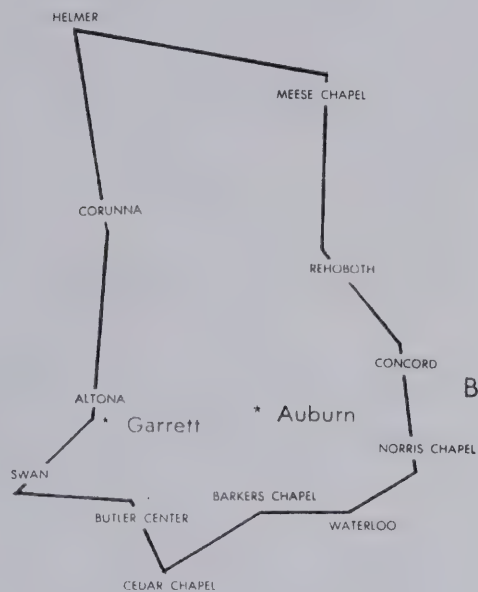
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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To provide a creative ministry in town and country churches . . . to strengthen each local church through group planning and action . . . to deepen personal faith in Christ . . . to extend the frontiers of Christian fellowship.

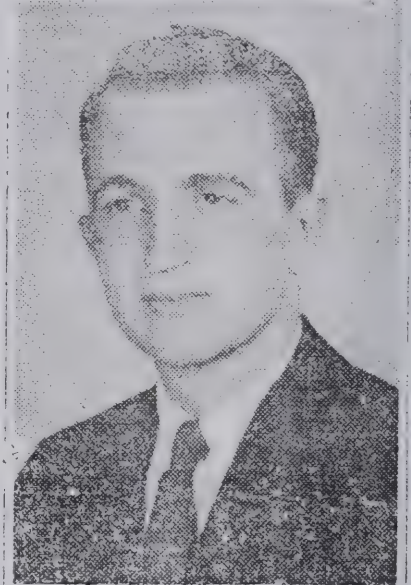


NEW PASTOR PREACHES AT
DEKALB COUNTY CHURCHES

Rev. John Dicken, now a Resident
of Auburn, Serves Meese Chap-
el, Norris Chapel, Rehoboth

Rev. John Dicken assumed his
duties as new pastor in the Pioneer
Methodist Parish Sunday with
preaching services at Meese Chap-
el, Norris Chapel, and Rehoboth
churches.

Rev. Dicken moved to the parish
from a four-year pastorate at the
Hamilton and Alvarado Methodist
churches in Steuben county. After
graduating from Ball State Teach-
ers college in 1931, Rev. Dicken at-

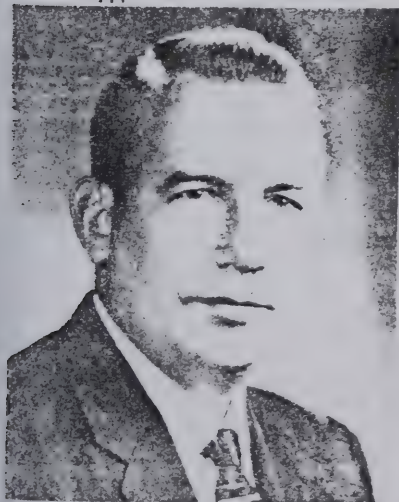


REV. JOHN DICKEN

tended Boston University School of
Theology in Boston, Mass., where
he graduated in 1954. On returning
to Indiana he was appointed to his
first full-time pastorate at Hamil-
ton-Alvarado by the North Indiana
Conference of the Methodist
church.

The new Methodist pastor, his
wife Phyllis, and two sons, Mark
and Kent, are living at 107 East
18th street in Auburn.

Pioneer Methodist Parish is the
new name given to the DeKalb
Parish started last year as a new
town and country experiment in
the Fort Wayne district of the
Methodist church. Ten churches
are now included in the new Par-
ish, Altona, Butler Center, Cedar
Chapel, Concord, Corunna, Hel-
mer, Meese Chapel, Norris Chapel,
Rehoboth and the Swan Methodist
churches. Three pastors have been
appointed to serve Pioneer Parish.
They are Rev. Gene Stolle, 1000
South Randolph street, Garrett,
the Rev. Arleon Kelley, 108 South
Van Buren street, Auburn and the
Rev. John Dicken. Under this team
ministry the churches of Pioneer
Parish will plan and work together
so that each member church will
be strengthened.



G. BEN HERSHBERGER
MUNCIE

July 1, 1954
List of donors
to Meese Chapel
Mrs. Mary C. ... \$2.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$5.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$10.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$10.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$10.00
John ... 5:00
Emmet ... \$10.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$15.00
Mr. & Mrs. John ... \$10.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$15.00
Mrs. ... \$5.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$5.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$10.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$15.00
Mr. & Mrs. ... \$5.00

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Chapel School

Dec. 10, 1930

School was called to order by singing hymn no 211 and led in prayer by Mr Brunkhart. Followed by singing hymn no 103 and Supt's report which was read and approved, followed by Responsive Reading no 1 entitled The Goodness of God. Teachers then took charge of their classes and studied lesson no 11 Reading and singing the same.

Class Reports.

Class A. Absent.

" B. no class 4 Pennies 3 no teacher

" C. Absent

" D. no class 3 Pennies 3 no teacher

" E. " 3 " 2 Mrs Elson teacher

" F. " 4 " 9 Mrs Elson teacher

There were 21.50 raised for the Christmas fund

and 15.00 was collected for the same

And it was decided to have a dinner

on Christmas night. School was

closed at 12.00 and no 90 and singing

the hymn no 103

Supt

J H. Elson Supt

Delegates to Convention

Mr. Scofield
Miss, Lila Hugen

delegate to Music
Miss Mary Williams

Agree Chapter S. S.

The final settlement
of the Secary and
treasure was. —

\$10.85	Sunday School Coll.
\$8.32	money in treasure.
\$18.67	for the year.
\$16.34	... literature.
\$2.33	
\$2.20	... secutary's book.
\$2.08	in treasure
	for next year.

Miss Mary Comerky Supt.

Miss Lida Weaver Sec.

Stearns Chapter

Dec 27, 1903

Sabbath school was called to order by Mr. Hemminger and opened by singing hymn No. 64. after which the secretary's report was read and accepted followed by singing hymn No. 4. and then led in prayer by Mr. Hemminger classes then took their places and studied lesson No. 13 entitled Fourth Quarterly Review after which the opening exercise was read. The report of the classes is as follows

Class A	2 scholars	5 perrines	5	Miss Jane	teacher
B.	...	5	...	4 Mrs. Howard	...
C.	...	8	...	10 Mr. Green	...

2 absent

...

There were 24 scholars 4 teachers

7 visitors makes 35 in all

23 perrines were collected followed

by reading the review and secretary's

report. School was closed by singing

hymn No. 59.

Mr. Hemminger

Meese Chapel S. S. Aug 28. 1904

School called to order by Supt and
opened by singing No. 6. followed by
Prayer led by Mrs. Weaver, and singing
to 400. Secto. report read and accepted.

Glasses took place, resp. in reading
No 5. was read, then studied lesson 9.
title Elijah discouraged.

Class Richards

Class	Class Richards				teacher	
	A. & B.	C.	D.	E.	A. & B.	C.
	A. & B.	C.	D.	E.	A. & B.	C.
	A. & B.	C.	D.	E.	A. & B.	C.
	A. & B.	C.	D.	E.	A. & B.	C.
	A. & B.	C.	D.	E.	A. & B.	C.

total No. in school 24. Permittes. Feb. 20

School closed by singing No. 4 76.

and repeating Lord's Prayer.

Aug 28. 1904

Mass. Comm. - 1st Sept 1844

School called to order by Supt. and
opened by singing No 84. Lesson
by Prayer Book Supt. and singing
No 84b. Sect. report read and accepted.
Lesson No. 10. Reading
No 4 was read. then studied Lesson 10.
title. Olijah Encouraged.

Class				Teachers	
Class A. and B	Scholars.	10.	Pennies.	11.	Ans. Free
"	C.	"	6.	"	8. Mrs. L. L. L.
"	D.	"	11.	"	22. B. B. B.
"	E.	"	5-	"	9. C. B. B.
Teachers present				1.	

Whole No. in school 36. Pennies 60. 50.

School closed by singing No 83.

and repeating Lord's Prayer.

Chas. K. L.

Chase Chapel Sch.
April 22, 1916.

School called to order by Supd. and opened
by singing hymn No 216 followed by prayer
led by Mrs DeBew and singing No 64.

Sect's report read and accepted followed
by responsive reading No 4 entitled "Faith in the
Son of God".

Classes took their places and studied lesson
4 entitled "Jesus the sinner's friend".

Class Reports

Class A. scholars 9 Pennies 8 Vesta Elson T.

" B " 3 " 4 Teacher absent

taught by Mrs DeBew.

Class C scholars 3 Pennies 4 teacher absent

taught by Mrs. Reed.

Class D. scholars 3 pennies 5 H. Readings 8 Mary Essig

" E " 3 " 12 Mrs Elson teacher

" F " 4 " 8 J. P. Elson teacher

There were present 26 pupils & teachers making
31 in the school. 24 pennies were collected
School closed by singing No 275 & repeating
the Lord's prayer

S. B. Elson.

Spence Chapel S.D.
Dec. 3, 1905.

School was called to order by the Supt. and opened by singing Hymn No 152, and led in prayer by the Supt. followed by singing Hymn No. 201. and Sects. report which was read and approved, followed by Resolutions reading No 2. Entitled and kicked with the Righteous.

Teachers then took charge of their classes and sang Hymn No 10. Then recited Rebuilds the Walls of Jerusalem.

Communion

Class A	scholar	perman	teacher
" B	"	3	Submerged
" C	"	"	Submerged
" D	"	"	R. 2. Submerged
" E	"	7	Submerged
" F	"	1	12 of 12

There were 212 scholars and 3 teachers making 150 persons in all 22 persons were collected

and 12 persons were present at the service

7.75 was spent

— year. unhappy & unhappy

Sketch of a road to water by
the Dept. and passed by a bridge
to the road to the water and bridge
to the Dept. for the water and bridge
to the Dept. for the water and bridge

~~renewed~~ renewed, accepted.

not really responsible for

1892-1893

London, 18th Feb 1891

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" 3 " 1863 - Glass Green "

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Meese Sept 55.

24. 13. 1976.

School was opened in singing hymns 11.
followed by reading the Scripture Lesson
11. 13. 1976. followed in prayer
by Mr. Nugen. The Responsive Lesson was then
read No 1. Entitled "Partakers of Christ's Suffer-
ings". The classes then took their places and
studied Lesson No. 3 Entitled "The Appeal to
Caesar."

Class Report

Class A	4	Scholars	15	Pennies
" B	4	"	25	"
" C	7	"	20	"
B.C.	3	"	15	"

There were 18 scholars and 4 teachers
making 22 in all. The school was
opened. School was closed during the
week of 15. 13. 1976. Prayed by Mr. Nugen

Meese Chapel S.S.
July 2. 1922

School opened by singing hymn No. 19 followed by the reading of the scripture lesson.

Hymn No. 26 was sung followed by prayer by Rev. Pusey and hymn No. 103.

The classes took their places and studied lesson No. 1.

Class report:

Class	Regiments	Juniors	Int. Ser.	Young P	Adults
No. Pres	3	9	5	2	2
Teacher	Pres	Pres	Pres	Pres	Pres
Coll.	5-	11	25-	15-	15-

There were 21 pres with a collection of .71 cent - school closed by singing hymn No. 149.

Barnest Cornell Supt.

Glen Cornelia Sec.

Meese Chapel S.S.
June 25. 1922

School opened by singing hymn No. 43 and the reading of the scripture lesson followed by hymn No. 52 and prayer led by Mrs. Carnahan. The classes took their places for the study of lesson 12.

Class report -

class	Beginners	Juniors	Intermed	Adults
No. Pres	9	5	10	5
Teacher	Pres	Pres	Pres	Pres
Call	17	19	47	43

There were 31 pres with a collection of \$1.26

Money is to be taken for from S.S. treasure for flowers for Mrs. Saunders which is one dollar. \$1.00

A flower comitty was appointed as follows Clara Habig, Myrtle Cornell and Velma Carper.

Birth day offerings are to be payed in and kept separate from regular treasure, and used for floral offerings

school closed by singing hymn No. 6

Cornest Cornell Supt.
Glen Carnahan Sec.

Wesley Chapel L.S.
June 8, 1919.

Sunday school was opened by singing Hymn No. 68 followed by the reading of the Scripture Lesson. Then No. 35 was sung, after which prayer was offered by Mr. Scofield. After No. 46 was sung, the secretary's report for the preceding Sunday was read and approved. Then the classes took their places and Responsive Reading No. 4 was read.

Class Report.					
Class	A (No. 1)	A (No. 2)	B	C	BC
No. Pres.	4	10	5	6	9
Teacher	Pres.	Sub.	Sub.	Pres.	Pres.
Coll.	.76	.30	.33	.30	.53'

There were 39 present with a coll. of \$1.64. Closing Hymn No. 50 was sung, followed by the benediction.

Mr. Nugent, Organist
Every Sunday

Mass Chapeel S.S.
June 15, 1919.

The opening Hymn for this morning was No. 100, followed by the reading of the Scripture Lesson. After No. 141 was sung, prayer was offered by Mrs. Weaver. Then No. 119 was sung, after which the secretary's report for the preceding Sunday was read & approved. Then the classes took their places & Responsive Reading No. 4 was read.

Class Report.					
Class	A (No. 1)	A (No. 2)	B	C	B C
No. Pres.	2	10	5	9	7
Teacher	Pres.	Sub.	Sub.	Pres.	Pres.
Coll	10	29	36	42	36

There were 37 present with a collection of \$1.53. As this was Missionary Sunday, Mrs. Seefeld gave a talk on this work, and then prayer was offered. Closing Hymn No. 156 was sung, followed by the benediction.

Mr. Nugent, Supt.
Mrs. Seefeld, Secy.

Mess Chapel S.S.
Jan. 11, 1920

School was opened by singing No. 83 followed by the reading of the Scripture Lesson taken from the 35 Chap. & Isaiah. Then the song No. 141 was sung followed in prayer by Mrs. Weaver, followed by singing Hymn No. 66. The secretary's report for the preceding Sunday was read and approved.

The classes then took their places and Responsive reading No. 3 was read.

Class Report:

Class	A. S. 1.	A. No 2	B.	C.	B. C.
present	3	5	5	7	
Teacher	absent	present	present	present	present
coll.	44	94	224	354	54

There were 21 present with a collection of \$17.3. School was closed by singing Hymn No. 120. and closed by the benediction

Blessed Love Light,
Blessed Holy Spirit.

Muse Chapel S.S.
Jan. 23, 1920.

School was opened by singing Hymn No. 70, followed in prayer by Brother Denbol. Then Hymn no 122 was sung, followed by the reading of the Scripture Lesson.

The Secretary's report for Jan. 11, was read and approved.

The Classes then took their places and the Responsive Reading was read.

Roll Report

Class	A. M. I.	W. M. I.	B	C.	B. C.
No. Pres	1	1	3	5	2
Teacher	Absent	absent	pres.	Absent	absent.
coll.		5	20	13	20

There were 12 in all and the total was 60
18.

Ernest

No. 4706

THE BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

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CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

This Certifies that the Pleasant Pushers Class
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In Testimony Whereof we have affixed our hand and seal
this ninth day of March 1922

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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY
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INTERNATIONAL SECONDARY DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT.

Sunday School Association No. 4283

VISITOR'S QUARTERLY REPORT FOR 1922 QUARTER 1922
Class No. _____ Visitor's Name _____

Number of members in class at the beginning of quarter.	_____	Average lessons studied per member.	_____	Average last quarter.	_____
New members enrolled during quarter.	_____	Total star members.	_____		
Number transferred to other departments of the school.	_____	Total special mention members.	_____		
Number transferred to other classes.	_____	Total offerings received in envelopes.	44.97		
Number withdrawn.	_____	Total attendance at Sunday-school.	_____		
Number lost by death, removal or for other reason.	_____	Number of meetings of class during quarter.	_____		
Number now on class roll.	6	Total calls of visitor on members during quarter.	_____		
Total lessons studied.	_____	Total members secured for other departments of the school.	_____		

Meese Chapel ^{78.1}

Mar 8, 1925

Sunday School was opened by singing Hymn No. 62. Then the devotional was read by Mrs. Cornell. Then we sang No. 99. Then we were lead in Prayer by Rev. Hollopeter. The classes were then assembled to their places while a March was played and studied Lesson No. 1. Entitled to "Christ Dying for Our Sins"

Class Report:

Class.	Begin	Prim	Junior	Sen + Int	Adult.
No. Pres.	3	3	3	7	5
Teacher. P.		P.	P	P	subj
Offering.	34	.15	.11	.34	.37

Birthday Offerings:

There were 26 present with the offering of \$1.10

Ernest Cornell
1st. Sup.
Myrtle Haring Sect

Morse Chapel

Mar 15 1925

Sunday School was opened by singing hymns 81-97 The Devotional was then read by Mrs Souder Then song No 116 Prayer by Mrs Caruahan Classes then took their places and studied "Proofs of the Resurrection of Jesus"

Class Report.

Class	Begin.	Prim.	Junior	Sen & Int	Adult
116 Present	35	35	1	12	8
Teacher	P.	P.	P.	P.	P.
Offering	23¢	27¢	10¢	65¢	90¢

Birthday Offerings 12¢

There were 32 present with an offering of \$2.20

Sung hymns 1-10
with the Lord's Prayer.

Meese. Chapel Sch.
Mar 1, 1925.

Sunday School was opened by an instrumental piece by Virginia Sawhead, followed by a hymn No. 158. The devotional was read by Helen Reed, after which hymn No 92 was sang. We were lead into prayer by Mr. Carnahan. The classes were assembled to their places while a March was played.

Class Report.

Class	Begin.	Prim	Junior	Sen & In.	Total
No. Pres.	3	3	6	19	11
Teacher	P.	P	P	P	P
Offering	.05	.08	.20	.80	1.05

Birthday Offering

There were 53 with the offering of \$2.18

Mr. Carnahan, Supt.
Myrtle Habig, Secy.

Received from X treasure \$16.29

1.04

.95

.98

1.63

Home Department money 4.00

1.58

26.47

Birthday Offerings .08

\$26.55

Jan. Expenses 13.57

\$12.98

1.61

1.25

.62

2.18

Total till Mar 1, 1925 \$18.64
Mar. 8

Meese Chapel Sch.
May 9, 1926

Sunday School was opened by singing hymn my mother followed by a recitation by Mardell Jarrett. We sang Till I see my mother's Face. The devotion was read by Mrs. Carper. Prayer was lead by two volunteers. We sang Hymn. Mother's Prayers have followed me. The classes took their places and studied lesson no. II entitled "Abram and The Kings".

Class Report

Class	Reg.	Prim.	1st Juv.	Juv.	Sen. & Int.	Adult
no. P.	21	1	4	5	boys 9	girls 6 sub.
Teacher	pres	pres	pres	pres	sub.	sub. sub.
Offering	13	17	13	20	61	32 30

Birthday offering = 64

A mothers day program was carried out.

There were 40 present and a total offering of \$1.91

Orange Cornsant
Kelen Reedson

Mass. April 1st
May 16, 1926

Sunday School was opened by instrumental music by Ruby Reed, followed by singing hymn, "Beautiful Words of Jesus". The devotional was read by Myrtle Kitchen. We were led in prayer by Mrs. Wessner. Donna Carpenter spoke in resitation after which we sang hymn, "God Is Love". The classes took their places and studied lesson no. VII entitled "Abraham and the Strangers".

Class Report

Class	Reg	Prim	1st yr	2nd yr	3rd yr	4th yr	Adult
Nov. P.	3	2	6	6	girls	6 boys	9 5
Teacher	pres.	pres.	pres.	pres.	pres.	pres.	pres.
Offering	10	21	20	24	32	76	42

There were 44 present and a total offering of \$2.25

Helen Reed Secy.

Missionary Sunday

W. 1858 Home St.
Oct. 16, 1927

Sabbath School was opened by singing hymns. "Let The Sacred Light Shine Out." The invocation was then read by Frank Busch First Kings 21st chapter. We were then led in prayer by Brother Cannanah. The classes then took their places and studied Lesson III Entitled "Exposing Official Corruption."

This being regular preaching Brother Clayton took charge at our regular hour.

	Present	Teacher	Offering
Beg			
Prim	2	pres.	\$0.11
Juniors	4	pres	\$0.15
Inf	11		
Senior	4		
Adult	2		
			22
			23

There were 23 present and a offering of \$2.30.

One year ago today there were 22 present and a offering of \$2.97.
Ellena Carver
Frank Wickstr. Supt.

Officers for the Year 1924

Supt.	Mrs. Cornell
Asst. Supt.	
Secty.	Milton Clark
Asst. Sect.	Frank Koch
Treasurer	Mrs. Carey Sanders
Organist	Mrs. Weaver
Asst. Organist	Mrs. Harner
Chorister	Mrs. Harner
Asst. Chor.	Velma Carpenter
Librarian	Helen Had.
Asst. Librarian	Stewart Sanders Myrtle Hadig Coral Carpenter
Janitor	Mrs. ...
Janitor's salary	\$25.00

- Asst.
1. Administration Div.
Carnest Cornell
 2. Educational Div.
Mable Harner
 3. Young Peoples' Div.
Rosa Buttner
Assistant, Mable Harner
 4. Children Div.
Blanche Weaver
 5. Graded Roll Dept.
Lois Carpenter
 6. Missionary Dept.
Coral Carpenter
 7. Temperance Dept.
Myrtle Hadig
 8. Adult Div.
Harriet Cornell
 9. Teacher-Parent Div. Supt.
Lucy Barnham

See Treasurer of Church, Mr. & Mrs. ...

Worce Chapel, S.S.
Mar. 30, 1923.
Dear Mr. Fitch.
Enclosed

In finding the sums and averages of the Sunday School offering attendance and expense for the year 1923 of which no record was furnished (the secretaries) found them to be as follows.

Total offering (year-end)	\$63.03
Amount (for year-end)	\$1.02
Total expense (year-end)	\$59.05
Total offering (year-end)	\$11.09
Total attendance (year-end)	1219
Average attendance (year-end)	23
Home Department (year-end)	\$8.10
Total left in treasure for 1924	\$12.16

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Meese Chapel St.
Dec. 28. 1930

Sunday School was opened by the singing 17 hymns 62.5. Love To Tell The Story and hymn No 11. "True-Hearted Wholeness". Frank Dorsch read the devotional, following by Prayer by Matias Esig. The classes then took their places and studied lesson No 13.

Class Report

	No Pres.	Tot	Amt.
Beg	5	Pres.	.15
Prim	3	Pres.	.21
Jun.	6	Pres.	.35
Inter	3	Sub.	.39
Seniors	1	absent	.40
adults	10	Sub.	.59
			<u>2.10</u>

There were 36 Present with
a offering of \$ 2.10

Frank Dorsch - Lipt
Coral Carper - Sec.

Grace Chapel S.S.
January 4, 1931

Services were opened with hymns "I Could Be Like Jesus" and "O Worship the King." The devotional was read by the superintendent and prayer was offered by Ernest Cornell. The teachers then took charge of their classes and studied Lesson No. 14.

Report of Classes

	No. pres.	Sen.	Off.
Beg.	6	pres.	15
Prim.	4	tardey	1.0
Jun.	5	sub.	2.7
Inter.	4	sub.	1.7
Sen.	4	abs.	4.1
Adults	11	pres.	11.0

There were 32 present and the offering came to \$2.30.

Frank Hosh, Supt.
Arthur Weaver, Sec.

Miss Chapel SS
Sept. 24, 1933.

Sunday school was opened by singing hymns. "where the gates of Sunday school never" and carry your cross with a smile. Following the devotional prayer was led by Mrs. Culbertson.

Classes took their classes to study lesson 5's
Class Report.

	Present.	off	
Reg 3	tea @ us	1	1
Girl 3	tea pres	1	0
Jun 4	tea @ us	1	2
Int #5	tea pres	1	7
Sen			
adlt. 16	sub ten	8	0
ten 5			
38		\$ 1.37	

There were 38 present
and the total offering was
\$ 1.37

Sept. 26, 1934

May 25, 1932

The Pleasant Pushers Class met at the Sanders Wednesday Evening, May 25. The devotional period began by singing "Jesus is all the World to Me," and "The Saviour who Died for Me." Helen Shull then read the devotional. A bill of 1.35 was allowed for ice cream. After the secretary's report a closing hymn "I will Sing the Wondrous Story" was sung and we repeated the Lord's Prayer in unison.

After the devotional period games were played, after which ice cream and cake were served.

Robert Sanders, Pres.

Emel Weaver, Secy, Treas.

Treas. Report

Balance carried forward

Bill for ice cream

\$ 25

1 35
2 40

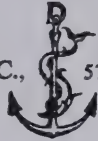
Collection

Balance on hand

2.60

5.00

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MURRAY HILL 8-3300

July 23, 1958

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Thank you for your recent letter. I am sorry that you are disturbed about our proposed beer cookbook. We are not trying to suggest that you alter your family's diet or method of cooking in any way that would upset you. It is true, however, that lots of people like beer and since there are many ways to cook with it, just as there are with vinegar and with wine, with no intent to intoxicate but merely to flavor, I hope you will not be too distressed if we proceed with our plans to make this book available to those who will find it useful.

I should also like to add that in the cooking process the alcoholic content of beer evaporates, leaving only the flavor remaining.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Clara Claassen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Clara Claassen
Editor

CC/jk

Mrs. Kenneth G. Smith
R. R. 2
Auburn, Indiana

Report of Convention held at Meese Chapel.

The Annual report of Meese Chapel Sunday School beginning Dec 18-1932 and ending May 21-1933.

We had a total attendance of 687 beginning and ending at the above dates.

The average attendance per Sunday was 30.

The number of visitors were 6.

The total offering was \$22.39 with an average of 93 cts. per Sunday.

Missionary Sunday is observed every third Sunday of each month.

We gave to this \$6.58

Temperance Sunday is observed once each quarter.

There were \$15.78 spent for Literature and \$8.66 for Missionary.

Ernest Cornell Supt.
Glenn Culbertson Secy.

Superintendent	-	Olav Schuur
Syph. Supt.	-	Paul Bartles
Secretary	-	Eleanor Bartles
Asst. Sec.	-	Luce Marie Shull
Treasurer	-	John Busch
Pianist	-	Carol Warner
Asst. Pianist	-	Jane Busch
Choirster	-	Gnabel Harner
Asst. Choirster	-	Hedie Busch

Missionary Supt.	-	Mrs. Schuur
Temperance	-	Alie Ferguson
Home Dept.	-	Marguerite Warner
Cradle Roll	-	Alie Ferguson

MEESE CHAPEL METHODIST CHURCH
Report of Nominating Committee, April 15, 1962
For the Period of June 1, 1962--May 31, 1963

Lay Leader.....Kenneth Baughman
Church School Supt...Gerald Krafft
Assistant Supt.....Dean Cornell
Church Treasurer.....Wm. Essig
Ch. School Treas.....John Haiflich
Ch. Off. Board.....Don Inlow
Pres. Lay Member...Kenneth Baughman
Parish Council Representative:

Lowell Gaskill
Mrs. Kenneth Baughman
Asst.....Gerald Grate

Audit Committee.Mrs Garnet Cornell
Mrs James Habig
Mrs Charles Loomis

Communion Steward.Mrs Jdn Haiflich
Mrs Gerald Grate

Committee on Worship & Music:
Mrs Paul Cook
Mrs Gerald Grate
Mrs Paul Bartles
Miss Jean Baughman

Pastoral Relations Committee:
Church Lay Leader
WCS Treasurer
Church School Supt
Ch Comm S & F

Trustees: Harry Spitler 63
Paul Bartles 63
Jim Habig 64
Lowell Gaskill 65
Ford Warner 65

Stewards: Mrs Paul Cook
Dean Cornell
Mrs Orange Carnahan
Ward Baughman
Mrs Ford Warner

Rep. Church Builders: Gerald Grate

The Nominating Committee:

Commission Membership & Evangelism
Mrs. John Haiflich, ch.
Church Lay Leader
Sec. Spirit. Life WSCS
Asst. C. S. Supt
Ch. Ch. Witness MYF

Commission on Education
Mrs. Lowell Gaskill, ch.
Church Lay Leader
C. S. Supt.
Asst. Supt.
C. S. Secretary
1 Elected Rep. WSCS
2 Elected Rep. MYF

Commission on Missions
Gerald Grate, ch.
Church Lay Leader
C. S. Supt.
Ch. Christian Outreach MYF
1 Elected Member MYF
S c. Miss. Ed. WSCS

Commission Stewardship & Finance
John Haiflich, ch.
Church Lay Leader
Ch. Official Board
Church Treasurers
1 Elected Member MYF

Commission on Social Concerns
Mrs. Gerald Krafft, ch.
Church Lay Leader
Sec. Soc. Rel. WSCS
Sec. Citizenship MYF

THE OFFICIAL BOARD MEMBERS:
Paul Bartles Don Inlow
Kenneth Baughman Gerald Krafft
Mrs Kenneth Baughman
Ward Baughman Harry Spitler
Mrs Orange Carnahan Jim Habig
Mrs Paul Cook Ford Warner
Dean Cornell Mrs Ford Warner
Wm. Essig
Lowell Gaskill
Mrs. Lowell Gaskill
Gerald Grate
John Haiflich
Mrs. John Haiflich

nurse chapel S.S. October 10, 1943
 S.S. was opened by singing Trust and
 Obey. A reading was given by Mrs. Schurr.
 we were led in prayer by Mrs. Curay.
 the congregation sang 'Take the name
 of Jesus with you'. Classes then took
 their places.

Class Report

	Pupils	Teacher	visitors	coll
Beg.	2	P		.20
Kid.				
Jr.	4	P		.17
Sr.	4	P		.41
Ad.	9	P		1.15
Adult	10	P		1.12

There were 34 present and the total
 collected was \$3.05.

Wm. L. Schurr, Supt.
 Church School

new chapel - S. S. October 3, 1943
 S. S. was opened by singing "In the
 service of the King" the women led in
 prayer by Mrs. Weaver. The congregation
 sang "The Old Rugged Cross". Classes then
 took their places.

	Class Report			
	Pupils	Teacher	Visitors	Coll.
Inf.	1	P.		.15
Jr.	3	S.		.39
Int.	3	S.		.22
Ad.	7	P.		1.08
Adult	9	S.		.90

There were 28 present and the total
 coll. was \$2.63.

Don Schurr, Sept.
 Donald Weaver, Oct.

Theron Doech gave \$5.00 for Christmas
 treat.

Mess Chapel Sunday School, September 8, 1946. Sunday School was opened by singing "This is my Father's World" and "Jesus Christ and I" while we were then led in prayer by Mrs. C. C. Herbertson.

Classes then took their places:

Class Report

Present, Visitors, Tacked Coll.

Beginners -	1		Pres.	.20
Primary -				
Junior -	4		Sub.	.50
Intermediate -				
Senior -	7	1	Sub.	.81
Adult -	12		Pres.	2.13
	<u>27</u>			<u>3.64</u>

There were 27 present and the total contribution was \$3.64

With Gratitude and
Thanksgiving to God

Masses Chapel S.S. Sept. 1. 1946
 S.S. was opened by singing "This is
 my Father's world". We then sang
 "Sweeten as the year goes by". Mrs. Essig
 led us in Prayer. Classes then
 took their places.

Class Report

	Pupils	Teacher	Coll.
Beg.	3	5	20
Pr.	8 combined		
Jr.		5	88
Int.			
Sr.	5	5	1.65
Adult	10	0	2.89
	<u>26</u>	4	<u>5.62</u>

22 _____ 31 _____
 _____ was 5.62

Class meeting, Sunday, May 20, 1947.
 Sunday School. Attendance 26.
 Present. Trainers. The class
 led in singing the hymn "Let us sing
 your Cross with a smile." Classes then took their place

	Age	Gender	Collection
	1	Pres.	.15
Infant	4	Sub.	.40
Junior	3 - 1 visitor	Ent.	.40
Senior	6	Pres.	1.43
Adult	11	Pres.	2.35
	<u>26</u>		<u>4.63</u>

This week 26
 collected \$4.63.

Reported by _____
 Treasurer _____

Faith is the Victory
 Mable Harner then led us in prayer. Then
 the congregation sang "Work For The Nights
 Coming"

Class Report

	present	Teacher	Collection
Beg	6	p.	\$.24
Free	5	s.	.60
Jr. Int.	3	p.	.36
Senior	5	p.	1.30
y. Married	6	p.	2.00
Adult	<u>13</u>	<u>p.</u>	<u>2.96</u>
	38	6	\$7.46

There were 44 present & the total collection was \$7.46

Dean Cornell Ass. Supt.
 Jean Harner Ass. Sec.

There were 45 present a year ago today

A motion was made & seconded to buy a lawn mower. The money is to be taken out of the m. s. treasury. A committee was appointed to buy it. A motion moved & seconded to pay \$2.00 and a court is also to come out of the m. s. treasury.

Chapel Sunday School June 7,
 1901. Sunday School opened by
 singing "Hail to Me a Sleeping and
 Praise Him, Praise Him. We all then
 read the new book in reading. And then
 sang "You May Have the Joy, Kids, we were
 then led in Prayers by Beth Cornell. We
 sang "When Love Shines In."
 Classes then took their places.

Class Report

Present	Teacher	Collection
Pres. 5	Sub.	.75
Pres. 4	Pres.	.47
Pres. 4	Sub.	.63
Sub. 3 1 visitor	Sub.	.60
Sub. 6	Sub.	1.45
Pres. 5	Sub.	1.75
Sub. 7 2 visitors	Pres.	4.80
<u>34</u> 3	2	<u>10.45</u>
39	2	10.45

Sunday School Officers Oct 10, 1954

- Junior Sunday School -

Nursery Dept. - Marlene Cornell
- Rose Marie Cook - Assistant

Beginners Dept. - Margbelle Haiflich Boo
- Angeline Smith - Assistant

Primary " - Mary Warner
- Nellie Glasch - Assistant

Junior " - Mrs. Jean Warbler
- Dorothy Culbertson - Assistant

Intermediate - Mabel Warner
- Lois Emenhiser - Assistant

Senior Class - Latus Bartles
- Blanche Weaver - Assistant

Merrymakers " - Matie Essig
- Alida Culbertson - Assistant

Adult " - Ford Warner
- Garnet Cornell - Assistant

Apr. 21 Sunday

Meeting was held in the hall at 14
 we began the service by singing
 "Hallelujahs to the Lord". The scripture
 readings were from the 1st & 2nd
 Corinthians. We then sang "What If It Were Today". We were
 led in prayer by Mr. Garner. We
 sang "I'm Thankful He Love Me So",
 and then continued.

Class Report

English	Math	Science
Rec. 3	Sub. 35	
3	P 40	
4	P 65	
4	assist 60	
8	P 1.55	
5, 10, 15	P 2.08	
13 2	P 4.00	
43	7	9.63

There were 50 members at the date
 collection was 9.63.

Apr. 22 Monday
 Service was held at 45 pm.

Pianist - Blanche Weaver
 - Mabel Harner - Asst.

Charister - Nellie Daesch
 - Mabel Harner - Asst.

Secretary - Margaret Bartles
 - Larry Emenhiser - Asst.

Treasurer - Garnet Cornell
 - Doris Habig - Asst.

Librarians - Larry Warner & Arkie Kaiflich

Junior S. S. Supt. - Marlene Cornell
 - Mrs. Jean Warstler - Asst.

Home Dept. Supt. - Eugenia Habig
 - Lotus Barthol - Asst.

Cradle Roll Supt - Mildred Brown

Missionary Leader for Jr. S. S. - Mabel Harner

Epworth League --- Aug. 6, 1939

Epworth League was held at Meese Chapel Church at 8:00. The meeting was opened by the President asking for the number of calls on the sick, the number of cards sent, and bouquets taken to ^{the} sick. Announcements of the Bible Class with Cedar Chapel and the Young Peoples' Evening Vesper Services was announced and discussed. The ~~the~~ meeting was then turned over to the Haynesdale League, which gave us a gospel team service. Their service was as follows:

Song - by all
poem

Song - Standing

Prayer

Quet

Scripture

1st Vice P. spoke

2nd Vice P. "

Special number by League

3rd Vice spoke

4th Vice "

Song - Standing

C. L. Benediction

There were 12 present of age League
and the total collection was

\$2.30.

Following Here Here

Steward Sanders

Katherine Sanders

Alice Ferguson

Dwight Carnahan

Merwin Carnahan

Theron Redolph

Mr. and Mrs. Steinerger

Betty Shutt

Dean Cornell

Ernest Cornell

Rev. Bell

Collection
35¢

Music Chapel E. L. April 28, 1940

E. L. was opened by singing "In My Palaces" and "There's a New Day Dawning". The devotional was read by June Rose Black.

Business was discussed.

Alice Ferguson then led discussion. It was on handicaps and how to overcome them.

Dwight is to have discussion. And Mervin devotional for next Sunday.

E. L. Benediction was then given by all.

Those present were: Joan Edwards

Ruby Clark

Milton Clark

Herma Rudolph

Mervin Carnahan

June Black

Sick calls - 1

Alice Ferguson

Dwight Carnahan

Walter Shutt

Epworth League Report

Epworth League was held at Meese Chapel Church July 30, 1939 at 8:30. The election of officers was held. They were as follows;

President - - - - Steward Sanders

1st V. P. - - - - Alice Ferguson

2nd V. P. - - - - Alice Culbertson

3rd V. P. - - - - Betty Shutt

4th V. P. - - - - Dwight Carnahan

Sec. - - - - Betty Shutt

Treas. - - - - Katherine Sanders

Rept. Supt. - - - - Glen Carnahan

Chor. - - - - Alice Culbertson

Pianist - - - - Carol Harner

Sub. Pianist - - - - June Rose Rasch

Meeting was closed by saying the Regular Epworth League Benediction. (Numbers 6: 24, 25, 26.)

Roll Call

Collection - 31¢

Attendance - 6

Alice Ferguson

Steward Sanders

Katherine Sanders

Dwight Carnahan

Rev. Bell

Betty Shutt

In Young People's Class of Men's Chapel met at the home of Walter Stoops Wednesday Evening, April 27. The meeting opened with singing "In My Heart there Rings a Melody." Mrs. Souder then led us in prayer. After singing "If your Heart Keeps Right," Walter Stoops read the devotional.

A bill of \$1.40 for ice cream was allowed. After the secretary's report the meeting was closed by singing "Jesus is Calling."

The remainder of the evening was spent in playing games and contests. Ice cream and cake was then served to the fourteen members and guests present.

Robt Souder, President

Ernest Weaver, Secy, Treas.

Treas. Report:

Balance carried forward	3 40
Bill for ice-cream	1 40
	2 00
Collection	1 75
Balance on hand	3 25

cell. 364

E. F. April 21, 1940

C.S. was opened by singing "Stand Up for Jesus" and "Where He Leads Me"

Devotional was read by Betty Shutt. Business was discussed.

Talked of the two churches going to-gether and have a joint meeting.

Discussion was led by Alice Ferguson. It was on the "Christians and Peace" of the War in Europe. A poem was read by Alice Ferguson called "God's Dreams". The meeting was closed by silent prayer and the saying of the C.S. Benediction.

Those present were: Sheran Rudolph

Mervin Carnahan

Alice Ferguson

June Rasch

Rosemarie Hull

James Bell

Hewitt Carnahan

Betty Shutt

gifts - 1

Cards sent - 2

sick calls - 2

Sept. 26, 1934

The Pleasant Pushers Class Of Mease Chapel met at the home of Joan Essig.

The meeting was opened by singing "If Your Heart Keeps Right" followed by the devotional, which was read by Joan Essig. We were then led in Prayer by Mrs. Essig.

In the business meeting, Mrs. Souder was elected teacher for another year. Mrs. Essig assistant.

We were then dismissed by singing "Let A Little Sunshine In", and repeating the Lord Prayer in unison.

Pres. Rhoda Carper

Sec. Treas. Walter Stoops

Treasure Report	
Balance carried forward	5.75
Dues & offering	<u>.85</u>
	6.40
Bill for ice cream	<u>1.95</u>
Total	4.45

July 27

The Pleasant Pushers Class of Meese Chapel met at the home of Buster and Schuyler Detrick, Wednesday evening, July 27, 1932. The devotional service was opened by singing "Brighten The Corner." The devotional was then read by Wilma Weaver. Time was then devoted to old and new business and to announcements. The class decided to hold their August class meeting at the lake and also to have a wienie roast. A committee was appointed to select the lake at which the party will be held. We closed our meeting by singing "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" led by repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison. An enjoyable social evening was then had by all.

Robert Sanders, vice pres.
Helene Joan Hull - Secy. Treas.

Treas. Report -	5' 95'
Bal. Cr. Fund.	5' 95'
Bill for ice cream	<u>1 40</u>
	4 55
Offering	<u>1 10</u>
	5 15

August 31

The Pleasant Pushers Class of
Meese Chapel, met at the home
Pretty Lake August the 31, 1932.

The group met at the Court
House and went as a body
to the lake. On arriving
there everyone hurried for
swimming. The water was
fine and everyone stayed
in longer than necessary.

About eleven o'clock a
fire was built and a wieners
and marshmallows were
roasted. No offering or business
meeting was held. On the
whole the evening was
a capital climax for our
summer parties.

Walter Stepp - pres
Helen Shaw Shull - sec & treas.

August, 1937

The Pleasant Pleasures class of
Morse Chapel S.S. met at the home
of Georgiana Sander.

The meeting was opened
by singing "The Beautiful Garden
of Prayer". The Devotional was then
read by Georgiana Sander.

The Secretary's report was read
and approved. The bills were
allowed.

The Lord's Prayer was then
said in unison.

The rest of the evening was
enjoyed in playing games. Refreshments
of ice cream and cake was
served.

James Helig, Pres.
Elinor Hawes, Sec.

Treasurer's Report	
Balance Carried Forward	1.59
Offering	<u>1.40</u>
Total	2.99
Ice Cream	1.80
Flower Bill	<u>.50</u>
	2.90
Balance In Treasury	.09

July, 1957

The Pleasant Church's Class of men
Chapel S.S. met at the home of Rhoda
Lowe Carter.

The meeting was called to order by
President. Withers sang "I need
Jesus" Devotional was then read by
Robert Sanders. The secretary's report
was read and approved.

The meeting was then adjourned
by saying Lord's Prayer in unison.

The rest of the evening was
enjoyed by playing games in the yard.
Refreshments of ice cream and cake were
served.

James H. King - Pres.
Elnor H. Jones - Sec.

Treasurer's Report	
Balance Carried Forward	1.49
Offering	2.10
Total	3.59
Ice cream	2.00
Bal. In Treasury	1.59
	<u>2.10</u>

Oct. 31, 1934

The Pleasant Pushers Class Of Me Chapel met at the home of Rhoda Carper.

The meeting was opened by singing "Open mine Eyes That I may see" follow by the devotional: the 101 Psalm. read. Stewart Souder. We then sang "When Love Shines d.n", and were led in prayer by Frank Dosch.

In the business meeting Frank Dosch told about the young peoples conference at Corvumma, and urged all members of the class to attend. It was decided to have Pot Luck lunch at our ^{next} meeting at Glen Culbertson's.

We were then dismissed by singing "Let A Little Sunshine d.n", and repeating Lord Prayer in unison.

Pres Rhoda Carper
Sec & Treas Walter Stoop

Treasure Report	
Balance carried forward	4.45
Dees & offering	1.58
	<hr/> 6.03
Bill for Red Cross	1.00
Bill for refreshments	1.12
Balance in treasure	<hr/> 3.91

March 29, 1939

The present Overseers Class met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Culbertson.

The meeting was opened by singing "The Old Rugged Cross".

The Scripture was read by Alice Culbertson.

After the sec. report, the remainder of the meeting was spent in electing officers.

They were as follows:

Pres. Roger Skull

Vis... DeLoss Culbertson

Sec. Helen Mogen

Vis... Rhoda Carper

Alice Culbertson Pres.
Georgiana Soderus Sec.

Treasures Report

Ball carried forward	4.54
Offering	<u>0.55</u>
	5.19
Bill for ^{new} book	<u>.65</u>
Total in treasure	4.54

April, 26, 1934

The Present Pushers class met at the home of Deloss Culbertson.

The meeting was opened by singing "Count Your Many Blessings."

Sec. report held over until next meeting. Roll call was taken.

Meeting was dismissed by singing "The Old Ragged Cross"

Roger Shull
~~Deloss Culbertson~~ Pres
 Georgiana Souders as. Sec.

Treasurer's Report
 Ball carried forward
 Offering
 Total in Treasury

4.54
 80
 5.34

Organization — September 11, 1940.

A meeting of the women of the Church was held Sept. 11, 1940 at Meese Chapel Church for the purpose of organizing the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Opening Hymn — "Faith of Our Fathers".

A statement of the order and purpose of the meeting was given by our pastor.

Eugenia Habig was named temporary Secretary.

Questions and explanations of different phases of order and service were given by the pastor, James Bell.

Reading, "The New Day" from the Guide by Mrs. Lotus Bartles.

Unison prayer —

A statement of the purpose of this organization was read by Eugenia Habig.

While the twelve members present sang, "I love to Tell the Story" and "Love Divine" they came forward in groups and signed their pledges.

The chairman of the nominating committee, Blanch Culbertson, gave the name selected by the committee for the different offices. Others were also named by the ladies present.

These were then voted upon with the following selected as officers:

President — Mrs. Elsie Barthles
 Vice-President — Mrs. Matie Essig
 Recording Secretary — Eugenia Habig
 Corresponding " — Mary Warner
 Treasurer — Elsie Dosch
 Sec. of Missionary Education & Service — Alida Culbertson
 Sec. of Christian Social Relations & Church Activities — Nellie Dosch
 Sec. of Student Work — Ann Skroyer
 Sec. of Young Women's & Girls' Work — Lotus Barthles
 Sec. of Children's Work — Alice Ferguson
 Sec. of Literature and Publications — Eloise Schurr
 Sec. of Supplies — Blanch Culbertson.

The Study Committee then named the 1st Friday afternoon of the month as the regular meeting date.

We then adjourned till our October meeting.

Eugenia Habig - Secretary.

Jan. 2 - 1942

The W. S. S. held their January meeting at the home of Mrs Mildred Brown with Mattie Essig and Ann Shroyer assisting hostesses.

Members had been asked to bring their needles, thimbles and two Comforters were finished.

The meeting opened by the Hymn "Ivory Palaces" followed by a prayer by Rev. Hershberger. The Scripture was read by Garnett Cornell. Elsie Bartles gave the lesson for the day.

A bill of \$2.00 for the printing of the year Books was presented and passed. The year book was then explained by the minister and the duties of the circles. Eloise Schurr was voted \$54 for literature. It was planned to have Rev. Edgar Moor of the Neighborhood house or Fr. Wayne give a lecture some Sunday Evening. Roll was called and the treasure report given.

The Sunshine and Shadow bags were turned in with the shadows winning.

The Officers for the year 1942 were installed by the minister.



Roger Diehl, Debra Haiflich, Laurie Haiflich, Rev, Woclever



Group that was at baptism service

Baptism Service At Baber Pond



John Garrison, Laurie Haiflich, Lori DePew
Back row- Debra Haiflich & Rev. Woolever



Roger Diehl, John Garrison, Rev. Woolever



Roger Diehl, Lori DePew, Rev. Woolever







Back- Sherry Ostermeyer
Singer for Heritage Sunday
In Front-Mr. & Mrs. Jack Gaby
and foster children Right- Joe Taylor



REV. & MRS. ALFRED BURK



Wesley and Nettie Miller



Donna Kester & Cheryl Smith, Keith & Marci Smith



Mrs. Angeline Smith



Mr. & Mrs. John Haiflich, Jr.
Jason & Kerry



Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Pomeroy
Marci & Ben



Mr. & Mrs. Don Pritchard



Rev. Woolever and Nellie Woolever



Mr. & Mrs. Warren Johnson, Laura Graves & Daughters



Retha Baber and Vita Baber



Mr. & Mrs. Don Lee



Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stephenson



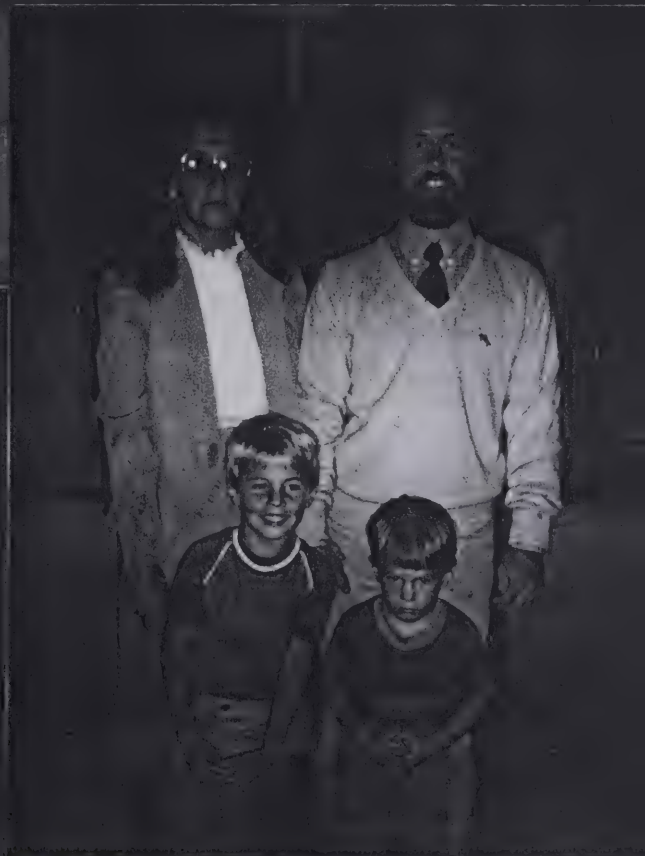
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Freeburn



Mr. & Mrs. Doyle Whitton, Christine, Connie
Tim and Cindy



Some of the people at Meese Chapel



Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Haiflich
Joshua & Justin



Mellie Spitler



1946

Mr. & Mrs. Harry Spitler



NOV 28th 1970

Mr. & Mrs. Roy Stephenson



Alice and Chalmer Ferguson





Mr. & Mrs. Roger Diehl



Rev. & Mrs. Eugene Woolever



Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Kester



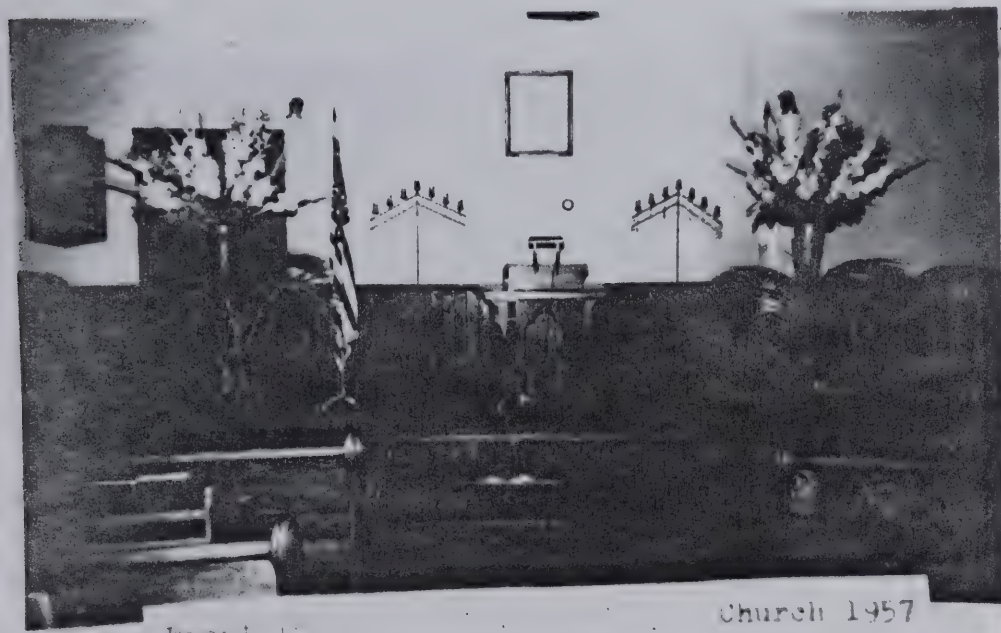
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LOVE CAME DOWN AT
CHRISTMAS

Merry Christmas
from Meese Chapel.





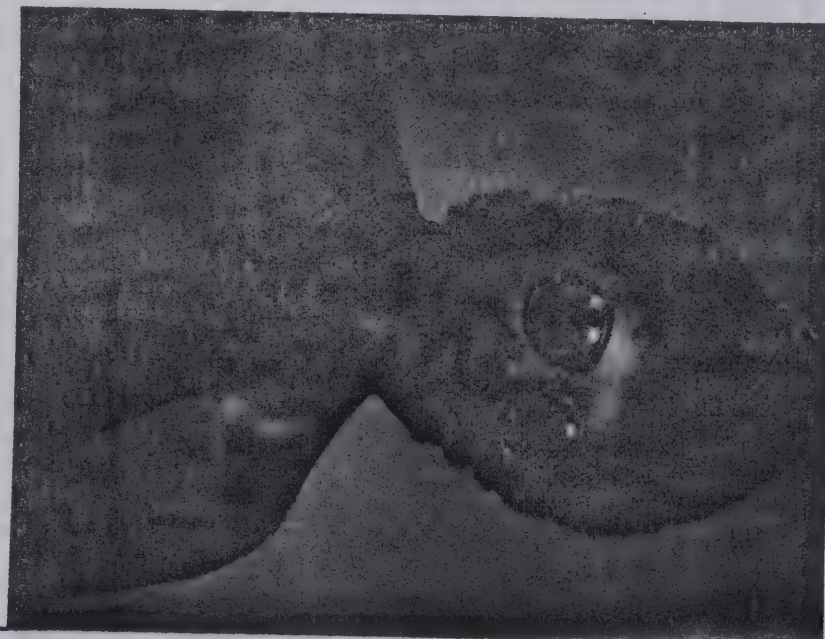


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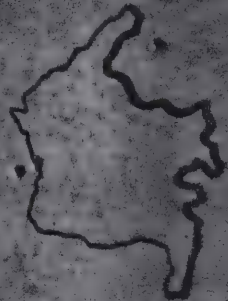
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Ministering through education
AMERICAN INDIAN FIELD



MARY JOINER



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for your missionary
to
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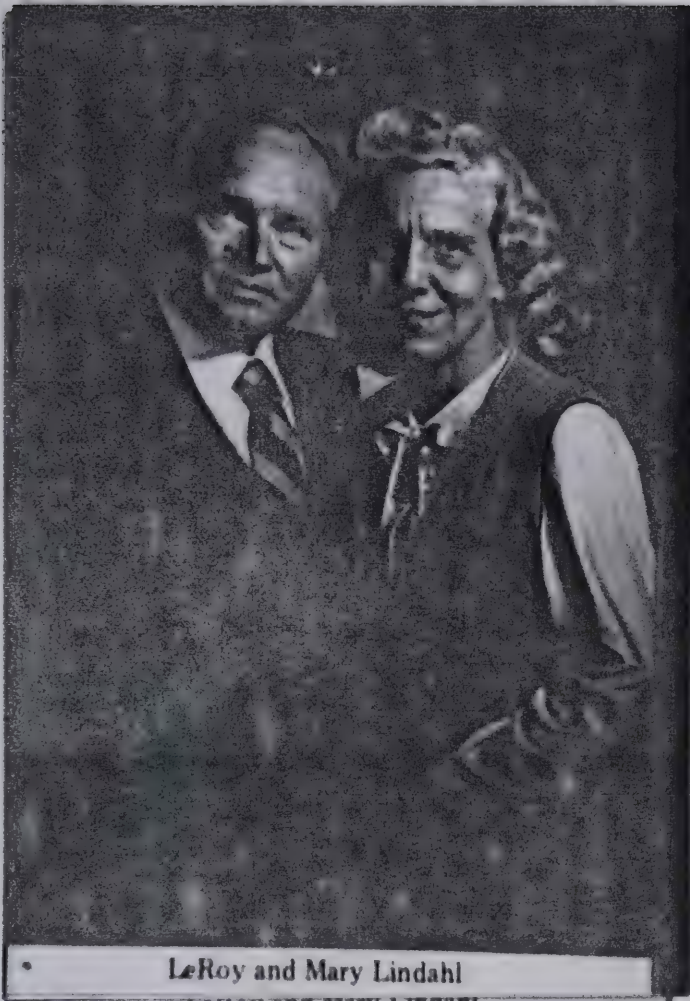
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WINGS OF PEACE

WORLD GOSPEL MISSION





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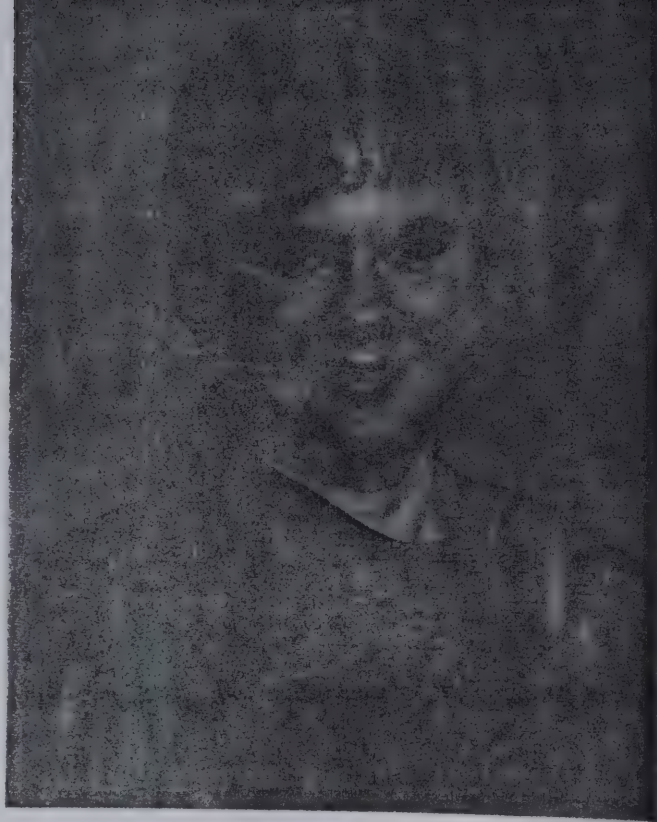
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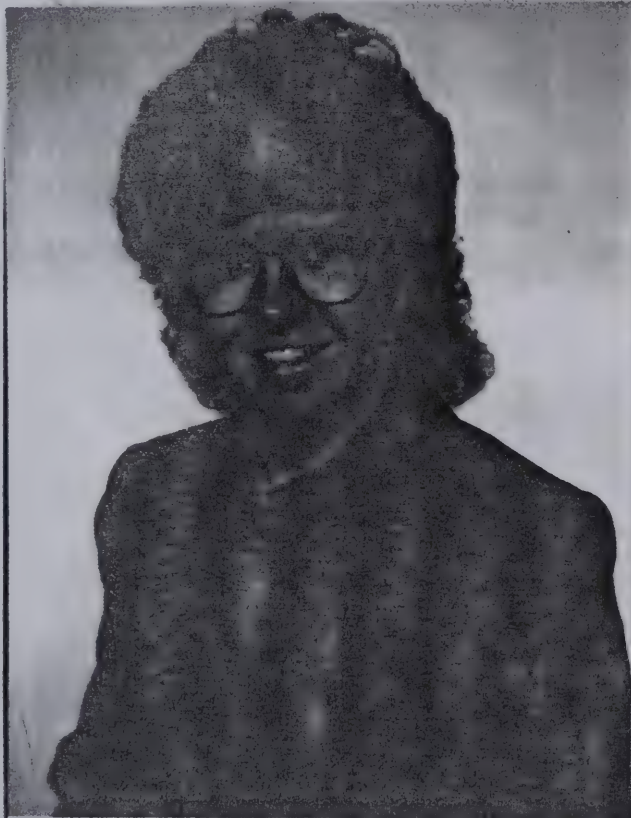
David, Cathlene,
Angela, and Nicholas
STRONG



Suzanne Surber
serving at
Christian Academy in
JAPAN



Kathy Klotz
serving in
Honduras



Cathy Gates
Haitian American Ministries
Florida



B.R.I.S. CLASS OF '88



Mr. & Mrs. Paul Bartles



Mr. & Mrs. Lowell Gaskill & Tom



Mr. & Mrs. Dean Cornell



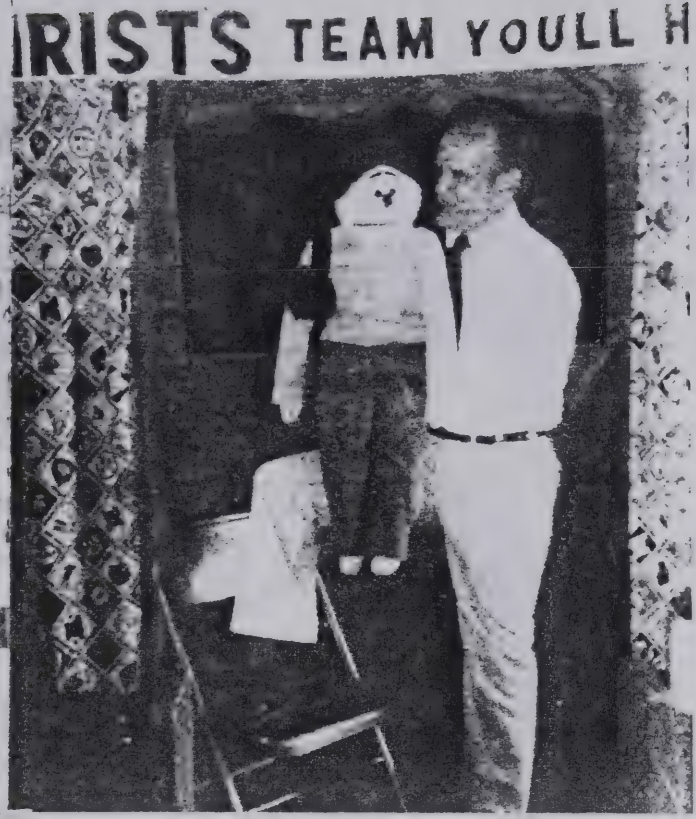
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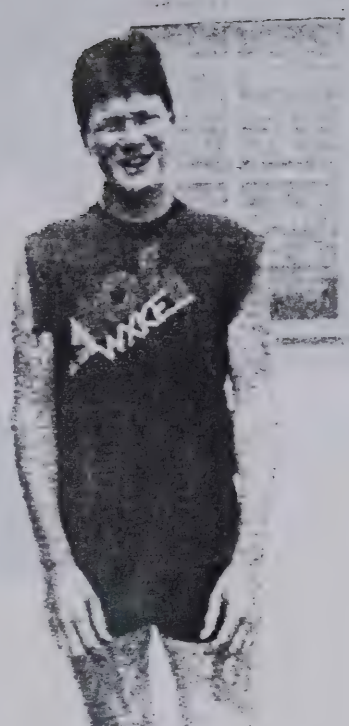


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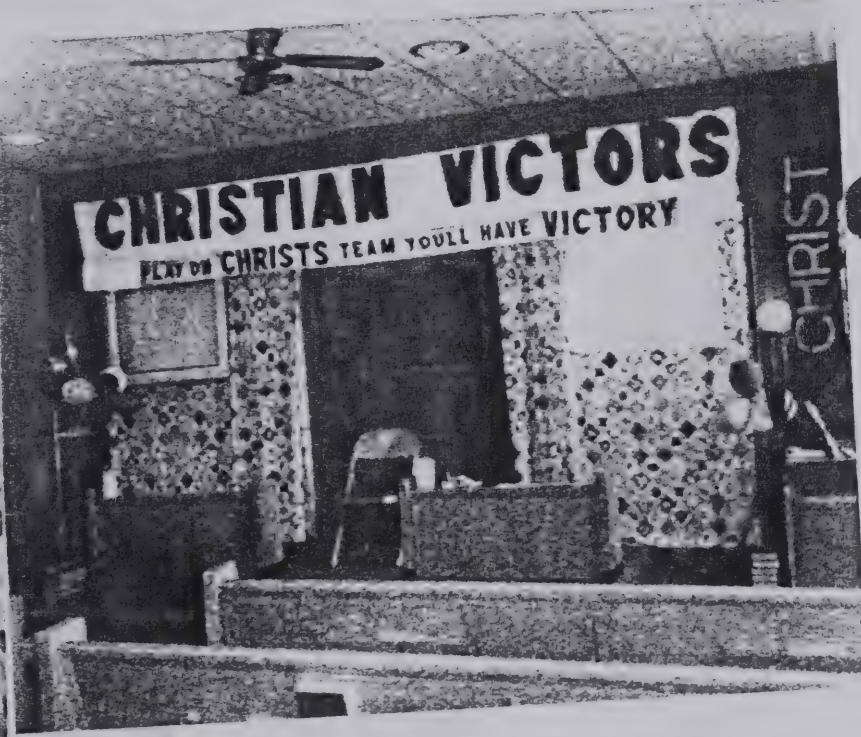
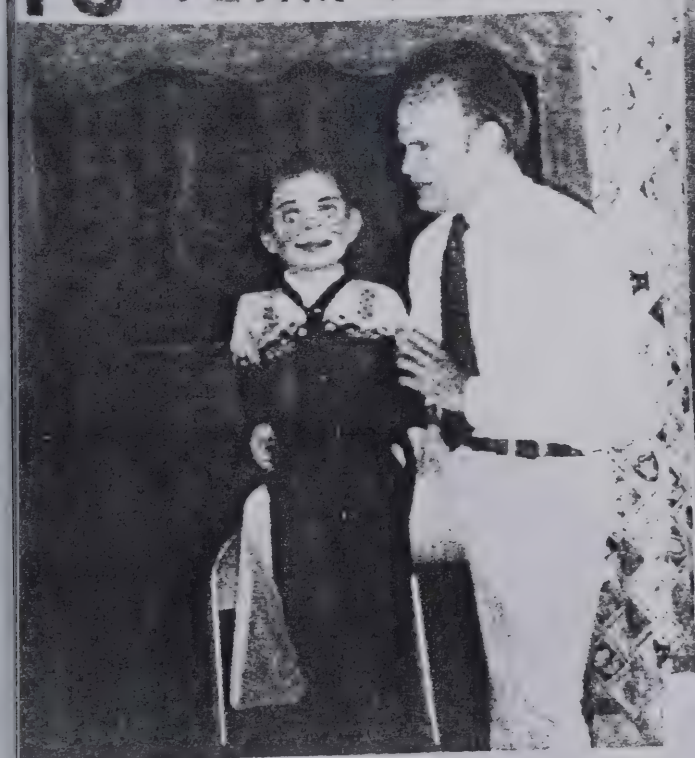


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Theresa & Frank Thompson 1966



Bob & Alice Thompson 1966



John & Helen Olson 1966

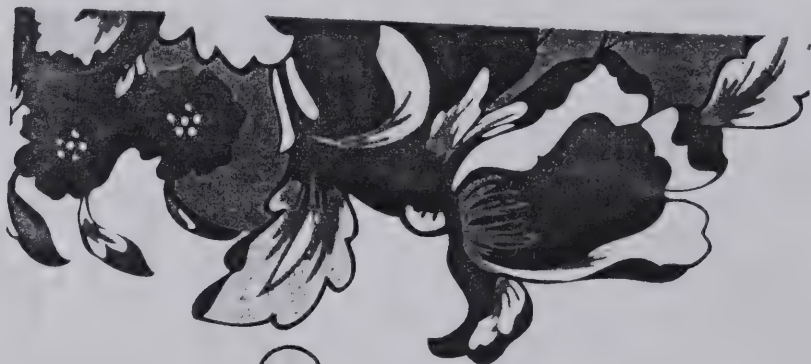


John & Helen Olson 1966



We wish to thank each and everyone who had a part in making our 50th anniversary a success and for a wonderful day. Thanks to those who cleaned the church, took care of the outside premises, prepared the dining hall, for the HOBBO STICK luggage, the very generous check, afterwards, your presence, helping clean up the lunch, your cards, your prayers and support and love you have shown to us over the years. Words alone cannot express our full appreciation for ALL of you. May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord shine upon you and give you peace.

Pastor



Thank
You



May.

The May Meeting of the W. S. C. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Lola Carper with 20 members and 6 children present. The meeting was opened by singing, "When He Cometh". The Devotions Infant Voices were given by Eugenia Habig. followed by the Lesson "Nursing Schools," by Matie Essig. Nellie Dosch presented a Allaby. The report of the W. S. C. S. Conference at Waterloo was received by Elsie Schurr, Mabel Harner, Ida Shull. Eugenia Habig and Nellie Dosch who attended the meeting. The Business Meeting was conducted: Secretary's report read and approved; Treasurer report read and roll call. A card of Thanks from the Surfer family was presented. A letter from Eliza Brown was read by Ann Skroyer. A poem for Mothers Day was read by Elsie Schurr. We were dismissed by the Misses Benediction. Lunch was served by the Hostess assisted by Florence and Alice Ferguson and Blanche Weaver.

Elsie Culbertson - ~~Sec.~~
Rec. Sec.

June.

The June Meeting of the W. S. C. S. was held at the home of Mrs. Lotus Bartles. The Devotions were given by Nellie Dosch, Blane Weaver played, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" We all sang, "For the Beauty of The Earth," and "Fairist Lord Jesus. Nellie Dosch read the "prayer songs for Rural Mexico."

The Business Meeting followed. Secretary's report read and approved. Treasures report: given by Blanch Culbertson. There were 18 members answered roll call. A report was given by the Secretary of Missionary Work for the year by Mabel Warner. Elsie Bartles and Lotus Bartles were appointed to purchase gifts for the Brides of These Chapel. The Lesson "Rural Work in Mexico" was read by Dorothy Culbertson. A Devotional "Beautiful Day" was sung by Eugenia Habig, and Elsie Culbertson.

We were dismissed by the Missions Benediction and then we repeated the pledge to the Christian Flag. Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Elsie Bartles and Dorothy Culbertson, to 18 members and 8 children.

Elsie Culbertson Rec. Sec.

September 12. 1952.

The women's society of christian service met at the home of Marybell Haiflick. The worship service was in charge of Blanche Culbertson. Call to worship by reading Psalms 66-1, 2: 40: - 1. Song "O Worship the King", followed by reading Cor. 5, 17-21. Song "All the Way my Saviour leads me", followed by prayer. The lesson, "Good News" was given by Nellie Dorsch. Song, "Of All the Work Places", 1st Verse, prayer by Phyllis Metcalf 2nd Verse, Prayer by Nellie Dorsch. Then we sang the 3rd verse, followed by the business meeting. Voted: To advance money on Monograph machine for the minister. Mabel Harner gave reports on Christian Social Relations & Local church activities. Treasurer report by Elsie Bartles. Discussed giving of Communion. also voted to repay Laura 75¢ for literature. There were 13 members and 4 children present.

Were then dismissed with Misspah benediction. Lunch was served by hostess and Jean Brown and Rose Marie Cook.

Mary Warner Pres.
Jean Brown. Secy.

October 9 1952

The Womens Society of Christian Service met at the home of Blanche Culbertson. The meeting was called to order by the president. Marybell was in charge of the devotions. Opening song, "My Faith Looks up to Thee" Blanche Weaver gave the lesson which was mission work. Readings by Blanche, Jean, Laura, Lotus, Eleanor and Garnet. followed by prayer. We then sang, "O master workman of the Race". Secretary report and roll call. We discussed the possibility of having a supper at Chamber of Commerce. Laura gave a reading on Belhelum Center in Tennessee. followed by the Miypah bene diction. After this Eugenia showed the Christmas Cards and pencils art. A very delicious lunch was served by the hostess and Alice Culbertson 15 members and 5 children were present

Mary Warner pres.
Garnet Cornell
Secy.

May 1, 1953

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the home of Eloise Dove with Wilma Dove the assisting hostess. Matie Essig was the devotional leader in the absence of Elsie Bartles. Prayer was offered by Mabel Harner followed by responsive reading. The songs "More Love to Thee", "Love Divine" and "Follow the Glean". Lotus Bartles presented the lesson which was followed by the song "Close To Thee" and closing prayer.

A thank you note for flowers from Lois Peterson was read also an invitation to the wedding of Donald Warner and Carol Beam. The Secretary read a report of the April meeting and also reports of 10 and 20 years ago.

It was voted to remove the names of World War II veterans from the plaque at the Church.

Nellie Dosch gave several readings and a song for Mothers Day. Eugenia Habig also gave a reading. We were dismissed by Mizpah benediction. An auction sale followed totaling \$10.85. Fifteen adults and six children enjoyed refreshments of ice cream and cake.

Mary Warner, Pres.

Garnet Cornell Secy

June 5, 1953

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met at Eckhart Park for a basket dinner at the noon hour. Our new President took charge of the afternoon meeting. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read. Due to the absence of Lois Peterson, Mabel Harner took over the devotions. The song, O Master Let Me Walk With Thee was followed by the Bible reading from Luke of Christ in the Temple. Lois Emenhiser gave the lesson on The Time for Laying Foundations. The songs O Master Workman of the Race and Faith of Our Fathers were sung. The President announced the appointment of the following officers.

Secretary of Promotion Marybelle Haiflich

Missionary Education Matie Essig

Christian Social Relations Mabel Harner

Student Work Nettie Miller

Childrens Work Garnet Cornell

Spiritual Life Laura Warbler

Literature & Publications Eugenia Habig

Supply Work Nellie Bosch

Flower Chairman Eleanor Culbertson

Publicity Dorothy Culbertson

Doris Habig President

Mary Warner Secretary

Feb 5, 1954

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the home of Etta Provines with Lola Carper and Dorothy Culbertson assisting. Mildred Brown had the devotion and Matie Essig gave the lesson entitled, The Outreach of the Methodist Church Among Rural Negroes. Members answered roll call by Valentine verses, original or otherwise. There was a good response to the call for used clothing for Korea. The Secretary was appointed to proceed with the packing of the clothing with the help of two volunteers. The Treasurer gave her reports. A fine lunch was served to twenty members, two guests and four children.

Mary Warner, Secy.

March 5 1954

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the home of Lois Emenhiser. Eugenia Habig had charge of the devotions. The lesson was given by Lotus Bartles assisted by Phyllis Metcalf, Elsie Dosch and Mildred Brown. We then sang Sweet Hour of Prayer. We observed the World Day of Prayer by a moment of silence and a closing prayer by Rev. Burk.

Doris Habig called the roll in the absence of the secretary. Thirteen members were present and four visitors. Mabel Harner read some literature concerning Christian Social Relations. Marybelle Haiflick asked that all secretaries who send in quarterly reports should keep their blanks and fill them in quarterly. It was moved by Marybelle Haiflick and seconded by Mabel Harner that postage on the box to Korea amounting to \$8.09 be paid to Mary Harner. The motion carried. Lotus Bartles and Rev Burk were named on a committee to study planting flowers and shrubs around the church yard. A plant auction will be held in April. This is the month for election of officers and the present officers were duly elected for the coming year. The Mizpah benediction was given followed by a nice lunch. The assisting hostesses were Lois Peterson & Phyllis Metcalf.

- Doris Habig

March meeting:

The Wovaw's Society of Christian Service of Meese Chapel met March 7 at Dorothy Culbertson's home.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mable Cheyoweth. The opening song was "More Love To Thee" (Blanche Culbertson led the devotions). The group sang "Take the Name of Jesus With You" and "I Love to Tell the Story." Marybell gave the lesson on "Healing Missions".

Roll call was answered by 22 members by telling the no. of yrs. married. Four members have celebrated or soon will their golden wedding anniversary. A poem, "A Golden Wedding" was read by Angeline Smith in honor of Etta Province. As on March 9 Roy and Etta celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. The response for April roll call will be a household hint.

The sec. report and treasurers report were read and approved. Correspondence from the district pres. were read. Dates to remember are April 9 district meeting at the Wayne St. church Ft. Wayne and the next Meese W.S.C.S. is to be April 11.

The meeting was then turned over to Marybell Kaiflich, sec. of promotion,

who conducted a program in honor of new members. They are Hilda Hedges, Lorraine Green, Mrs. Jennie Kraft, Mrs. LaVelle Immerman and Margaret Gaskill. They were presented cores. Nellie Doech made motion to have plant & vase auction in April.

Marlene Cornell, sec. of missionary education & service gave a report. Upon the motion of Lotus, it was agreed that the ladies furnish refreshments for the M. Y. F.

Mary Warner from nominating committee proposed that same officers stay for 2 yrs as has been the custom. This was accepted so the officers are, President, Mable Chenoweth vice pres. Ruby Baughman; secretary Angeline Smith treasurer, Elsie Bartles. The pres. will report the other sec. and committees.

Meese Chapel will take care of the Easter breakfast for the charge with the local church activities committee, Lotus, Eugenia and Dorothy Culbertson in charge.

They were reminded of Ann Motzfeld's birthday April 5. The hostesses Dorothy Culbertson, Angeline Smith and Etta Provins served lunch to the members and kiddies.

Sec. Angeline Smith

Sept. Meeting

The Women's Society of Christian Service of Meese Chapel met Sept. 6 at 1:30 at the home of Mildred Brown in Waterloo.

Mable Chenoweth, pres. called the meeting to order. Angelina Smith gave the devotions. We sang "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go."

Matie Essig gave the lesson on "Missions". Nellie Mosch sang a special number "The Comforter Has Come".

The minutes were read & approved. Pella Treas. report was read and approved.

A communication was read on the group meetings to be held Mon. Sept. 9 at Waterloo.

Doris Nebig read a letter on supply work. Upon the motion of Mary Hubbard and Ed. it was agreed to send Teach quarter for supply work.

Elsie Mosch, Sec. of student work read a communication. Marlene made motion and it was Ed. to send "Power" to the students.

Marlene Cornell secretary of missionaries handed out missionary names and birthdays with things listed we could send them.

A motion was made to sell dish cloths as a project.

Upon the motion of Boris Habig & Ed. it was agreed to buy silverware for the church.

A motion was made to have anniversary project plates again. Also a motion was made to discontinue the special auction not including plant auction.

We dismissed by a poem prayer in unison.

A delicious lunch was served by the hostesses Mildred Brown and Marybell Haiflick.

Sec. Angeline Smith

Meese Chapel Sunday School Aug 21,
1955. Sunday School opened by sing-
ing "Tell It To Jesus." Scripture taken
from 36th Chpt. of Job - 5 to 10 verses.
read by Mrs. Paul Bartles. Mrs. Alidies
Cuthbertson then led in prayer.

7th 9th Chpt of 1st Proverbs read by
Margaret Bartles. We all joined in singing
"Sunlight." Reading "Wherein To Go" by Mrs.
Garnet Cornell. We then sang "The Name of Jesus".
Classes then took their places -

Class Report

	Present		Teacher	Call.
Jr. S.S.	12		3 Present	2.40
Sr.	4	1 vis	Present	1.43
M. makers	4		Present	2.90
adult	8		Present	2.35
	28	1 vis.	6	9.08

There were 35 present and total
collection was \$ 9.08

55 yrs. ago
Today -

John Harflich - Supt.
Margaret Barth - Sec.

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8	2 vis.	3	1.9
1		14	.95
	2		
			1.25
16		5	3.60

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Mass Chapel Sunday School Nov 16 1957.
 Sunday School service was singing "Get
 a Little Supper in". The choir led in
 prayer and the service followed by
 the presentation of the children. The
 many thanks to the children.

Matthew 28:19. All joined in singing
 "Stations in the Night". Classes then took
 their places.

Class Report

Present	Teachers	Coll.
3rd L 26	5	3.94
4th L 2	2 visitors present	2.45
5th L 9	1 visitor present	1.35
Adults 15	present	3.75
52		17.49
8 boys		
3 girls		
63		

There were no new members added in
 October 1957.

Thank you to all who helped in the
 service and to the children.

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 service and to the children.

Heese Chapel Sunday School June 23, 1957. Sunday School opened by singing "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms." and "The Victory May Depend On You." We were then led in prayer by Mrs. Blanche Weaver. All joined in singing "Send The Light."

Classes then took there places.

Class Report

	Pres.	Teacher	Call.
Jr. S.S.	37	5 Pres.	4.95
Sr.	4	2 vis. Pres.	2.03
m. makes	11	Pres.	10.60
adults	15	Pres.	3.58
	<u>67</u>	8	<u>21.16</u>

There were 77 present and total collection was \$21.16

57
m.w.
ad.

Ford Warner - Asst. Supt.
Margaret Taskier - Sec.

DAY OF PRAYER

Thursday, October 30, 1958

Berniece Friend, Presiding
President - Rehoboth W.S.C.S.

Musical Prelude Evelyn Watson

Call to Worship - (In Unison)

Through love to light! O wonderful the way
That leads from darkness to the perfect day,
From darkness and from sorrow of the night
To morning that comes singing o'er the sea;
Through love to light, Through light, O God, to Thee
Who art the Love of love, the Eternal Light of light -- Amen.

Hymn "Stepping in the Light"

Prayer

Scripture Morris Chapel

Meditation Concord

Hymn "O, Zion Haste"

Talks: 'Foreign Fields'

Cuba Irene Peters - Morris Chapel

Mexico Blanche Johnson - Concord

Bolivia Fern McNamara - Rehoboth

Prayer Service Vernae Armstrong

Special Music Concord

Meditation Meese Chapel

Talk: 'Home Field'

Desecness Pensions Mary Warner - Meese Chapel

Prayer Service Ruby Baughman

Offering

Special Song - Vocal Duet Morris Chapel

Closing Prayer

Instrumental Postlude Evelyn Watson

The following financial statement covers the period from June 1 to Dec.1, 1958. Compare your stewardship with that of other churches in Pioneer Parish. See how well your local church is meeting its financial obligations.

	ALTONIA	BUTLER CTR.	CEDAR CHPL.	CONCORD	CORUNNA	HELMER	MEESE CHPL.	NORRIS CHPL.	REHOBOTH	SWAN
<u>Local Expenses:</u>										
Total for year	475	114	325	420	456	795	<u>427</u>	672	525	405
Due by Dec.1	250	57	162	210	230	400	214	336	263	202
Paid by Dec.1	328	41	152	144	154	405	288	262	126	285
<u>Pastoral Support:</u>										
Total for year	625	650	950	1000	760	1200	<u>1200</u>	1300	900	1200
Due by Dec.1	312	325	475	500	380	600	600	650	450	600
Paid by Dec.1	312	330	466	500	380	600	600	653	450	615
<u>Apportionments:</u>										
Total for year	229	162	315	404	290	502	<u>441</u>	429	320	418
Due by Dec.1	115	81	157	202	145	251	220	215	160	209
Paid by Dec.1	113	65	67	227	155	100	148	229	207	143
<u>Benevolences:</u>										
Total for year	75	87	175	191	127	248	<u>226</u>	172	169	184
Due by Dec.1	38	44	87	95	64	124	113	86	85	92
Paid by Dec.1	33	13	0	6	18	17	51	93	16	83

NOTE - Local expenses include fuel, lights, insurance, janitor, etc. Pastoral support is the amount of salary you pay for pastoral care. Apportionments are your church's financial share of the cost of maintaining Methodism at district and conference levels. Benevolences include your World Service pledge and any special offerings taken for work beyond the local church and local community.

Your pastors in Pioneer Parish,

John Dicken
Arleon Kelley
Eugene Stolte

Eugenia Habig then showed samples of cards whereby Society could make extra money, also pencil sets. Society sent for 100 boxes of Greeting cards.

It was decided to put savings account on checking acc.

Song. "Give of your best to the master"
Lesson followed by Lotus Bartels.

Pinnage sale was discussed to be held in future.

Mizpah Benediction
Delicious lunch of strawberry short-cake ^{and} whipped cream by hostess M. K. assisted by Matie Essig ^{and} Mildred Stephenson.

Mary Warner. Pres.
Antra Shroyer. Sec.

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The Society of Christian Service met at the home of Mildred Brown. Meeting was called to order by our new president Mary Warner. Song - "Open my eyes that I may see". The devotionals following read by Eleanor Culbertson. We then sang "We would see Jesus. A silent prayer followed. Our president then installed all new officers who took obligations as to their various duties. Mary Warner President - Laura Warstler Vice P. Elsie Bartels Treas. Sec. of Christian Relation Mabel Harner. Promotion Sec. Jean Brown. Sec. of Mission ^{and} Education Garnet Cornell. Sec. Student Work Lotus Bartels. Sec. Childrens Work Lois Emmenbiser. Sec. Spiritual Life Matie Essig. Sec. Supply Work Alice Ferguson. Sec. Status of Women Marcella Brown. Sec. Literature Nettie Miller. Rec. Sec. Anna Proyer. Our purpose of W. S. B. S. read Lydella Provines. Lords Prayer was then repeated in unison. Communications read as to meeting at Epworth Forest June 24-29.

Treasurer's report given.

Money collected for wedding gift for Dean Cornell ^{and} Bride. Also penny collection for flower fund.

Our finance committee are Eugenia Habig ^{and} Mildred Brown - flower Com. Doris Habig ^{and} Alice Culbertson, Publicity Nettie Doris Pianist Blanche Weaver.

"February" 1947

The February meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service was held at the home of Lola Carper with 17 members present.

The Vice president, Elsie Kosch, brought the meeting to order. Meeting opened with prayer and devotions by Anna Shroyer. Song "All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name" was sang by all. Elsie Kosch read her letter from Mrs. Keesling.

Secretary's report of last meeting was read and approved. Lesson was given by Mattie Essie.

Anna Shroyer made a motion for our Treasurer Nellie Kosch to send for white boxes for each member and second by Mattie Essie.

Florence Ferguson thanked the Ladies of our Society for the beautiful plant sent to her. Treasurers report was read by Nellie Kosch and approved.

Lotus Bartles was appointed to have a special entertainment for St. Patrick Day at next meeting to be held at Nettie Millers.

Meeting was dismissed by repeating the Mizpah Benediction.

Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Etta Provines.

Asst. Rec. Secretary
Ruth Johnson

"January" 1947

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The January meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service was held at the home of Alice Culbertson with 10 members present.

The vice president, Elsie Dooch, brought the meeting to order. Due to the bad weather the meeting was short. We sang one verse of "Bless Be The Tie". A "Thank You" card for her blanket from Rose Marie Cook, was read by her mother, Ida Skull. Treasures report was read, by Blanche Culbertson.

Meeting was dismissed by repeating the mispan benediction.

Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Jennie Walters and Blanche Culbertson.

Alice Culbertson
Recording Secretary

Dec 5 - 1942.

The December meeting was held at the home of Mrs John Mitzfelt, this being an all-day meeting with a carry in dinner at noon. The meeting was opened by singing "Holy Night" followed by a prayer by Mrs. Carver.

The Secretary & Treasure's reports were read & approved.

A motion was made & carried to have the losing side of the "Sunshine & shadow bag" to entertain & feed the winning side in Feb. There were 26 members 6 visitors & 4 children present. It was voted to pay the \$15.00 rent on the parsonage.

There was no ^{other} business and the slips were passed out for the new mystery pals. The mystery pal gifts were then passed out and enjoyed by all. We were then dismissed.

Jennie Walter
Secy.



MAY • 66 •

Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Hargrave in 1966



JUL 5 6

Students at lunch 1966



John & Helen Hargrave 1966



Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Hargrave 1966



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50th Anniversary

May 14, 1944

Open House
May 15, 1994
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Norris Chapel Church

*50th
Anniversary*



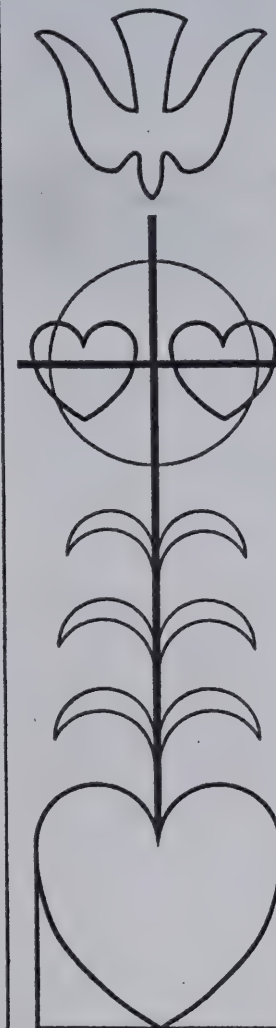
May 14, 1994

Arkie Haiflich
Bill Haiflich

Our Children

Stan Haiflich

Marilyn Carpenter
Nancy Boylan



*"This is my
commandment,
that you love
one another
as I have
loved you."*

John 15:12

Meese Chapel United Methodist Church

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AUBURN, IN

Sunday School 9:00 Bob DePew-Supt.
Morning Worship 10:00 May 15, 1994
Lori Heimann Pianist
Carol Warstler Organist
Angeline Smith Chorister
Eugene Woolever Pastor Ph. 281-2332
Ministers of the Gospel The Whole Congregation
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PRAYlude (be in prayer for the service)
Call to Worship and Invocation

Pastor: God's love is a permanent gift which can never be taken from us.

People: Jesus has made that love forever ours through His death on the Cross.

Pastor: There are still strong powers of evil in our world; but they cannot separate us from God's love.

People: We are certain that God gives us victory over all these powers, keeping us in His love through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Unison: Almighty God, whose love in Christ can never be taken away from us by any worldly power: Deepen our faith in Christ, that His victory on the Cross may become our victory over sin and evil. We do not believe, Father, that the Christian faith is a mental escape from the reality of sin, or death, or any other evil force. But while we know these powers are real we still fail to experience the victory of Christ which keeps us secure in Your love. Forgive us for our spiritual weakness when we have ignored the power of Christ in our lives. Show us the victory which is ours in Christ, that we may live in the strength of Your love forever. We pray in Jesus's name AMEN.

Hymn: The Love Of God 18
Prayer

Musical Response

Tithes and Offerings: (Ass't. ushers Matthew & Tom)

"God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Hope does not disappoint us because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom He has given us. This is OUR love for God: to obey His commands. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God."

Offertory Hymn: Great Is Thy Faithfulness 98 (v.1)

Prayer Requests
Prayer Hymn: Great Is Thy Faithfulness 98 (v.3)
Congregation's Sermon: Mark 1
Hymn: One Day 22
Scripture Lesson: Romans 8: 31-39
Message: The Love That Never Quits
Hymn: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling 21
Benediction
Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This afternoon: Open house for John and Marybell's 50th wedding anniversary. Norris Chapel; 2:00- 5:00.

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

S.S. att. 20; Worship att. 36; Offering \$ 330 ; Budget \$ 305

CONGRATULATIONS

JOHN AND MARYBELL HAIFLICH

Meese Chapel Church wishes you God's blessing upon your 50th wedding anniversary. May you have many happy years yet to come.



But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord. Joshua 24:15



OPEN HOUSE — Joe E. and June (Dosch) Mason will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an Oct. 6 open house at their home, 226 W. Walnut St., Greentown. They were married Oct. 6, 1946, in Meese Chapel Methodist Church in DeKalb County. Their family includes their children and spouses, Jinger Shepherd, Judd and Nancy Mason of Greentown, Jo Ellen and Bob Almond of Indianapolis, and Judy and Jeff Childs of Kokomo; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Please omit gifts, but a written memory would be appreciated.

The family of
Christine and Eugene Woolever
would like you
to join in an anniversary celebration
on Sunday, August 17,
from 2 to 5 p.m.
We'll meet at Meese Chapel
Church.
Please help make this
a joyful, memorable occasion.
Your presence will be
their cherished gift.

headaches and eye pain, hallucina-
tions, physical and mental depen-
dence, sores on mouth or nose, liver
and kidney damage, and brain dam-
age.

Watch for the warning signs of

sniffing. Be alert! If you
suspect someone you know is abus-
ing inhalants, encourage them to seek
professional help immediately! Call
the Indiana Poison Center at (800)
382-9097 or (317) 929-2323 in
Marion County.



OPEN HOUSE — Eugene and Christine (Conner) Woolever of 2472
County Road 9, Corunna, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniver-
sary with an open house Sunday from 2-5 p.m. at Meese Chapel
United Methodist Church, County Road 60, a half-mile east of
DeKalb County Airport. The couple were married Sept. 6, 1947, in
Stroh Christian Church by the Rev. Wallace Jones. They have four
children, Ruth Anne Garrison of Kendallville, Richard of Waterloo,
John of Auburn and Mary Stapleton of Elkridge, Md., and 13 grand-
children. Please omit gifts.

It's
Christine's
and
Eugene's
50th
Anniversary!



OPEN HOUSE — Eugene and Christine (Conner) Woolever of 2472 County Road 9, Corunna, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house Sunday from 2-5 p.m. at Meese Chapel United Methodist Church, County Road 60, a half-mile east of DeKalb County Airport. The couple were married Sept. 6, 1947, in Stroh Christian Church by the Rev. Wallace Jones. They have four children, Ruth Anne Garrison of Kendallville, Richard of Waterloo, John of Auburn and Mary Stapleton of Elkridge, Md., and 13 grandchildren. Please omit gifts.

And now these three remain:
Faith, Hope and Love.
 But the greatest of these is Love.

1 Corinthians 13:13

Meese Chapel United Methodist Church

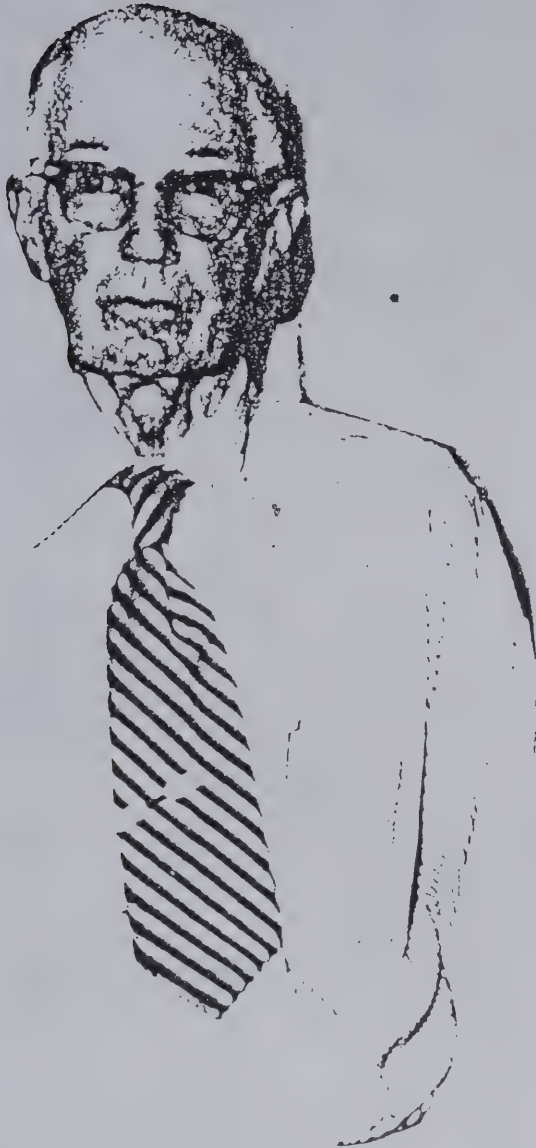
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IN MEMORY OF
RUSSELL BERRY
AND
THE BERRY FAMILY



IN MEMORY OF RUSSELL BERRY



THANK GOD FOR YOU

*Thank God for you, good friend of mine,
Seldom is friendship such as thine;
How very much I wish to be
As helpful as you've been to me.
Thank God for you.*

*When I recall from time to time
How you inspired this heart of mine,
I find myself inclined to pray,
"God bless my friend this very day."
Thank God for you.*

*Of many prayer requests, one thou art
On whom I ask God to impart
Rich blessings from his storehouse rare;
And grant to you his gracious care.
Thank God for you.*

*So often at the throne of grace,
There comes a picture of your face,*

*Some day I hope with you to stand
Before the throne at God's right hand,
And say to you at journey's end,
You've been to me a faithful friend.
Thank God for you.*

— Author unknown

Chapel.

William Meese was held in high regard by an extensive circle of friends to whom he became endeared for genial and social disposition and a generosity rarely equalled.

He was induced to become a candidate for the office of sheriff to which he was elected in 1872 and re-elected in 1874 by a large majority.

His life has been an eventful one and a useful one and the good he has done will survive the storms of time as a monument on yonder hill top.

Surviving are his daughters, Mrs. Ira T. Eaton of Chicago, and Mrs. Bessie Hopkins of Kalamazoo, and a son, Orrin Meese, of Jackson, Michigan. A daughter, Letta, died at Garrett several years ago.

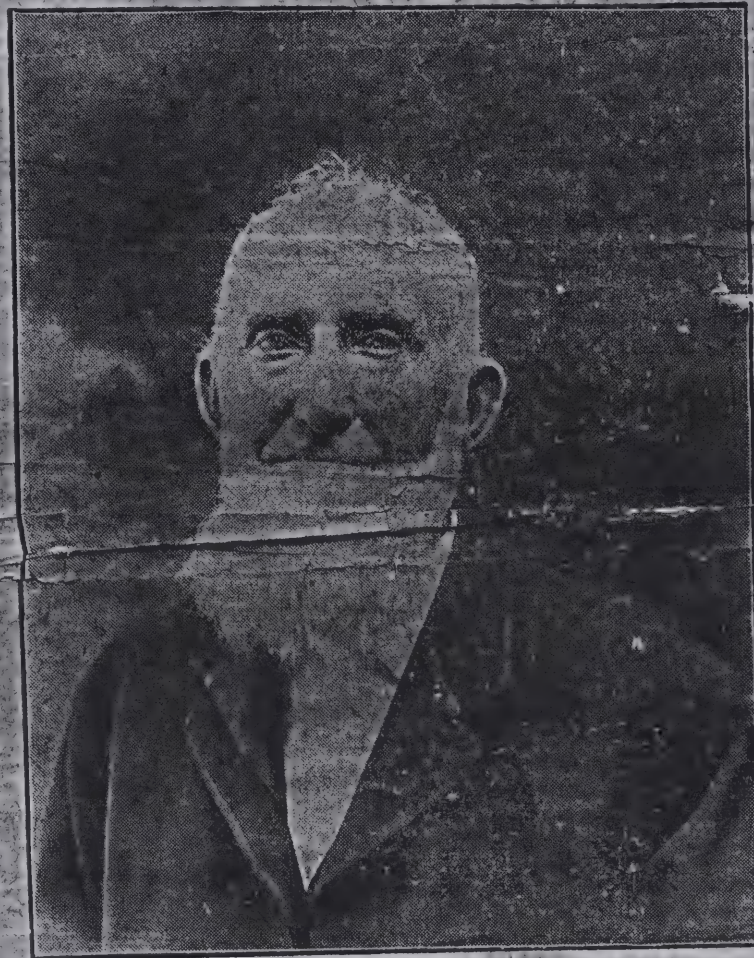
Mr. and Mrs. Eaton came from Chicago Sunday afternoon to remain until after the funeral.

The remains of Father Meese were brought from Garrett to the home of John Clark, undertaker, Saturday night and kept until Monday when they were taken to Keeran Sisters to await funeral and interment Tuesday, as was the request of the deceased.

The funeral will be held from the M. E. church Tuesday at 2 p. m. conducted by Rev. F. F. Thornburg.

GOOD MAN IS CALLED

Rev. William L. Meese, Aged M. E. Minister, Widely Known as The Marrying Parson, Is Dead, At The Age of Nearly Eighty-five Years



REV. WILLIAM L. MEESE

All that is mortal of the Reverend William L. Meese will be laid to rest Tuesday afternoon, death having claimed him Saturday at 4 p. m. at the Sacred Heart hospital at Garrett where he went some ten days ago firmly believing that he was nearing the portals of glory yet he faced the end of life with a consciousness of having faithfully done what his Master had for him to do and he laid off the armor of duty and put on the robes of reward as one preparing for a night of peaceful sleep and lying down to forget the burdens of the closing day's routine.

Father Meese, as hundreds of friends are wont to call him, was widely known as the "marrying parson" owing to the large number of matrimonial knots he tied. In 1896 he organized the Meese Matrimonial association and reunions of those he joined in wedlock were held. At the first one held a resolution was adopted encouraging courtship and marriage, promoting happiness and concord in married life, discouraging separation, and providing for the expulsion of any member of the association who was found guilty of any such action named herein.

George Swineford and Miss Belle Hornberger, Concord young people when wed, were the first to be married by Rev. Meese. This was many years ago, since which time hundreds have been united by the far famed "marrying parson." The last ones to be wed by him were Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Marvin, both of this city, until the recent death of Mr. Marvin. This union was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Sheffer on West Eleventh street, May 22, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Wes Miser was also wed at the Sheffer home during the elderly parson's stay there.

Rev. Meese was born at Canal Fulton, O., December 14, 1828. When he was fourteen years of age his father died, and being the oldest of a family of eight children, he assumed great responsibility. When eighteen years old he walked the entire distance from Cleveland, O., to Maumee City, near Toledo, and in the spring of 1848, took a position on the Wabash and Erie Canal, running between Toledo, Ohio and Covington, Ind. Before the end of the year he became ill from "Maumee fever." When he recovered Mr. Meese returned to Canal Dover where he boated on a canal from 1847 to 1853. In 1850 he was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Norton, with whom he lived until March 17, 1894, when she passed to the greater beyond.

In 1855 he came to Indiana and located upon a farm of eighty acres in Franklin township where he labored for fourteen years, then moving to Waterloo.

Rev. Meese was converted in 1864 in the old Haverstock building at Haverstock corners. He was superintendent and class leader at Jones' Corners for four years and for six years was superintendent of the Auburn M. E. Sunday school, where he accomplished much good. He was licensed as a preacher in 1877 and held his first revival service at Sugar Grove schoolhouse, in Keyser township, beginning February 24, of that year, where twenty persons were converted. Since that time Mr. Meese has held many meetings in different DeKalb county townships—some in schoolhouses, some in churches and others in groves, where he conducted general camp meetings, always with great success.

As an instance of appreciation of his interest in their behalf, people of Jackson township erected a house

over-



THE AMERICAN'S CREED

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead, who never to
himself hath said, this is my own, my native land."

SCOTT

I believe in the United States of America,
as a government of the people, by the people,
for the people; whose just powers are derived
from the consent of the governed; a democracy
in a republic; a sovereign nation of many
sovereign states; a perfect union, one and
inseparable; established upon those principles
of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for
which American patriots sacrificed their lives
and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my
country to love it, to support its constitution,
to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to
defend it against all enemies.

The American's Creed by William Tyler Page was
adopted by an Act of Congress, April 6, 1918.

RICHARD and ROSE MARIE NEWCOMER:

Since you were not able to be with us in your joining our church, in this manner we wish to extend our hands in welcoming you into our fellowship at Meese Chapel United Methodist Church. May we all work together for the Kingdom of God. May God's richest blessing be on you both. We are a family working for God.

Joe & Irene + Family
Roy + Mildred Stephenson
Rabbi Lafine
Dean and Madeline Cornell
Bob + Elizabeth DePew
Paul + Gladys McCburn
Harry + Laurie Haeflich
Louise, Margaret + Tom
Weren + Sue Johnson
Don and Anna Belle Prichard
Harry D. Haeflich
John and Marybell Haeflich
Angeline E. Smith (Angie)
E. Ben DePew
Gene + Christine Woolver
Laura L. DePew

Monday, March 17, 1958

REPORT OF WOMEN'S GROUP AT MEESE CHAPEL CHURCH

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Meese Chapel church, near Auburn, met Feb. 7 at the church with 19 members present.

The president, Mable Chenoweth, called the meeting to order. Dorothy Culbertson led the devotions. The group sang "More Love to Thee." A solo, "Open My Eyes, that I may See," was sung by Nellie Dosch. Lotus Bartles gave the lesson, "Where Does Christian Citizenship Start?" in form of a dialogue by members. The roll call, the secretary's report and the treasurer's report were read.

The study group on St. Mark, "Disciples to such a Lord," is to meet at Dorothy Culbertson's home. The president appointed a nominating committee, Mary Warner, Lotus Bartles and Rev. Keith Davis to meet before the March 7 meeting. Mary Warner announced that Friday, Feb. 21, is to be observed with a "World Day of Prayer" meeting in the evening at the Auburn Church of God.

Rev. Keith Davis announced the School of Missions would be held the evenings of Feb. 28 at Rehoboth church, Saturday, March 1, at Meese Chapel and Sunday, March 2, at Concord. The commission on missions is to have charge of the preliminary program at Meese Chapel.

Rev. Davis led the closing prayer. The hostesses, DeEtta Close, Eleanor Culbertson and Lotus Bartles served coffee or tea and homemade doughnuts and cookies.

REPORT OF MARCH MEETING OF MEESE CHAPEL WSCS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Meese Chapel church met March 7 at Dorothy Culbertson's home.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mable Chenoweth. The opening song was "More Love to Thee." Blanche Culbertson led the devotions. The group sang "Take the Name of Jesus with You" and "I Love to Tell the Story." Marybell Haiflich gave a lesson on "Healing Missions."

Roll call was answered by 22 members by telling the number of years married. Four members have celebrated or soon will their golden wedding anniversary. A poem, "A Golden Wedding," was read by Angeline Smith in honor of Etta Provines as on March 9 Roy and Etta Provines celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Roll call for the April response will be a household hint.

The secretary's report and treasurer's report were read and approved. Correspondence from the district president, Mrs. Walter Shady, was read. Dates to remember are April 9 district meeting at the Wayne Street church, Fort Wayne and the next Meese Woman's Society meeting is to be April 11.

The meeting was then turned over to Marybell Haiflich, secretary of promotion, who conducted a program in honor of new members. The new members are Mrs. Hilda Hedges, Mrs. Loraine Green, Mrs. Jennie Krafft, Mrs. LaVelle Timmerman and Mrs. Margaret Gaskill. They were presented corsages.

It was decided the plant, bulb

and seed auction would again be held in April.

Marlene Cornell, secretary of missionary education and service, gave a report. Upon the motion of Lotus Bartles, it was agreed that the ladies are to furnish refreshments for the M.Y.F.

A report of the nominating committee by Mary Warner proposed that the same officers stay in office as the custom has been to keep the same officers for two year terms. This was accepted so the officers are: President, Mable Chenoweth; vice president, Ruby Baughman; secretary, Angeline Smith; treasurer, Elsie Bartles. The president will appoint the other secretaries and committees.

Meese Chapel will take care of the Easter breakfast for the charge with the local church activities committee, Lotus Bartles, Eugenia Habig, and Dorothy Culbertson taking charge.

The hostesses, Dorothy Culbertson, Angeline Smith and Etta Provines served lunch to the members, guests and kiddies.

REPORT OF APRIL MEETING OF MEESE CHAPEL WSCS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Meese Chapel, near Auburn, met April 3, 1:30 at the home of Mrs. Nellie Dosch.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mable Chenoweth. Nellie Dosch sang "He Lives" accompanied by Mildred Brown. Garnet Cornell led the devotions taken from Psalms 92 and Jeremiah. The group sang "To the Work." Marlene Cornell gave the lesson, "Youth to Work." Marlene Cornell also read a poem, "The Builder," in keeping with the lesson. The group then sang "I Surrender All."

The secretary's report was read and approved. The treasurer's report was read by DeEtta Close substituting for Elsie Bartles. Roll call was answered by 19 with household hints. Upon the motion of Ruby Baughman, it was decided the pledge to the conference remain the same as in the previous year.

The secretary of supply work, Doris Habig, asked the members to bring good reading material to the next meeting for additional supply work. It will be sent to a college in Augusta, Ga. Dorothy Culbertson reported on progress of plans for an Easter breakfast. The group then held a plant, bulb and miscellaneous auction with good response. Nellie Dosch led in prayer.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Nellie and Elsie Dosch, Ruby Baughman and Rosmarie Cook to 19 members, two guests and kiddies.

REPORT OF WSCS MEETING AT MEESE CHAPEL CHURCH

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Meese Chapel, near Auburn, met May 2, 1:30 at the church.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mable Chenoweth. The group sang, "Take My Life and Let It Be" and "Rescue the Perishing." Nettie Miller led devotions with Ruby Baughman taking part. Eugenia Habig gave the lesson, "The March of Mission Dollars." The group then sang "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms."

The secretary and treasurer reports were read and approved. Roll call was answered by Mother's Day quotations. Hilda Hedges read "Only a Mother" a poem by Alexander Seymour. May 15 at the church was the date set to make out reports.

Marlene Cornell made a motion to continue the children's study and Margaret Gaskill is to be the teacher, taking Lucile Lee's place.

Jennie Walters was elected treasurer in the place of Elsie Bartles. Rev. Keith Davis led the group in closing prayer. Gifts were given to the oldest mother present, Etta Provines and youngest mother present, Marlene Cornell.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Lillian Baughman and Jennie Walters to 17 members, one visitor, Rev. Davis and children.

REPORT OF W.S.C.S. MEETING AT MEESE CHAPEL CHURCH

The Women's Society of Christian Service of Meese Chapel met June 6 at 1:30 at the church.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mable Chenoweth with a poem. Devotions were led by Doris Habig. The group sang "Will Jesus Find Us Watching?" Mary Warner and Doris Habig gave the lesson in the form of a dialogue. An article "Mission in the Mohawk" from "Together" magazine was read by Doris Habig.

Mrs. Phyllis Dicken, wife of the new minister, Rev. John Dicken, installed the new officers and presented each of them with a rose.

The ladies decided to study the book "Great Women of the Bible" for next year and use the regular devotion book.

Phyllis Dicken led the group in closing prayer.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses Matie Essig and Nettie Miller to 17 members, Rev. and Mrs. Keith Davis and baby and Mrs. Phyllis Dicken and boys and several other children.

FORT WAYNE DISTRICT OFFICERS

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 Miss Maxine Coleman, Stanley Girls' High School
 Hiderabad, Deccan, India

"CHRIST FOR THE WORLD WE SING"



WOMAN'S
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FORT WAYNE
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 NORTH INDIANA
 CONFERENCE

GROUP MEETING PROGRAM 1958

MRS. WALTER SHADY - PRESIDENT

Allen County "B" . . . Jefferson Chapel . . September 8
 Mrs. R. P. Evans
 Steuben County . . Nevada Mills September 9
 Mrs. Wendell Allen
 DeKalb County . . . Garrett September 10
 Mrs. Ray Armstrong
 Wells County . . . Ossian September 11
 Mrs. Lorin Mann, Sr.
 Adams County . . . Decatur September 12
 Mrs. Austin Merriman
 Allen County "A" . . Forest Park September 15
 Mrs. Clarence Neal

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel
to every creature." -- Mark 16:15

MORNING SESSION . . . Mrs. Dean Aldrich, presiding

9:15 Prelude

9:25 Theme Hymn stanzas 1, 2, 4 No. 481
Worship

Greetings

Introductions Host President

Promotion: "Reaching Out To Others"

Leadership Clinics

Wesleyan Service Guild

Business-Announcements . Mrs. Walter Shady

Recognition of Presidents and Pastors'

Wives

Noontide Prayer Mrs. Wilbur Shown

District Spiritual Life Secretary

12:00 Luncheon

VISIT THE LITERATURE TABLE

Purchase books now and save postage

AFTERNOON SESSION Group Leader presiding

1:05 Hymn

Prayer

Recognition and Awards

Reading Course Certificates

Mrs. John Clausen

Children's Secretaries . Mrs. Lynn Fisher

Promotion Mrs. Harry Goheen

Special Music

Address Miss Myrtle A. Smith

Offering

Final Report of Registration

Benediction

OUR SPEAKER

Miss Smith was born in Wisconsin. While teaching school in Ironwood, Michigan, she felt led to go into Christian Work. She received her training at Cincinnati Missionary Training School. She served as teacher and matron at Mothers Jewels Home in York, Nebraska, for two years. She entered the Foreign Mission Field under the Detroit Conference, reaching Foochow, China, on January 10, 1922. Miss Smith was retired April 1, 1958 and at present is making her home at 800 Carpenter Ave., Iron Mountain, Michigan.

We are grateful to the Host Church and all who helped with the day's arrangements.

COMING DATES TO REMEMBER

United Nations' Day October 24, 1958

Week of Prayer and Self Denial. . October 25-31

Human Rights' Day December 10, 1958

District Day Apart. March 17, 1959

Annual District Meeting April 17, 1959

Simpson, Fort Wayne

Annual Conference Meeting April 29, 1959

Muncie, Higlit St.

A CREED

Here is the truth in a little creed,
Enough for all the roads we go;
In love is all the law we need,
In Christ is all the God we know.

--Edwin Markham

Lay Preachers: Each regular pastor preaches in three churches each Sunday. This leaves one church to be supplied with a Sunday morning preacher. Under the direction of Charles Carbaugh, DeKalb County lay leader, a team of lay preachers take turns filling the extra pulpit each Sunday. These lay preachers are trained in the Fort Wayne District lay speaker's school and are accredited by the district superintendent.

Parish Programs: An implication of the Pioneer Parish idea is that local churches by pooling their resources can provide a stronger ministry to the folks in their community. Since June of this Conference year the Parish Council has planned and developed several cooperative programs. A uniform worship service bulletin is mimeographed in the Parish office in Auburn. Nearly 30 youth from the 10 churches attended summer Institute and monthly youth rallies have been attracting an average attendance of 50 young people. Pioneer Parish constructed a float and entered it in the DeKalb County Fair parade in September. The Parish entertained John Elliott for a four-day missionary visit in November. Immediately ahead is a "Spiritual Life Mission" in February and a vacation Bible school workshop is scheduled for April.

Helmer

(Steuben Co.)

John Dicken, Captain

Pioneer Parish Pastoral Team

(DeKalb Co.)

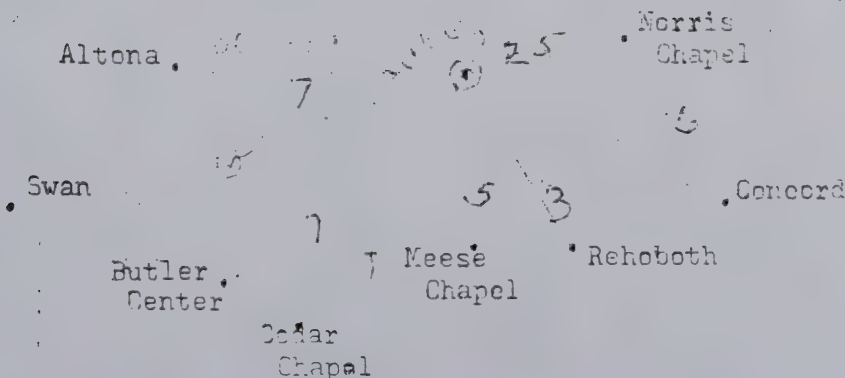
Map Legend

numbers indicate mileage between churches and Auburn

North Group: Altona, Corunna, & Helmer

South Group: Butler Center, Cedar Chapel & Swan

East Group: Concord, Meese Chapel, Norris Chapel & Rehoboth



Pioneer Methodist Parish

FORT WAYNE DISTRICT

A PROGRESS REPORT (JUNE-JANUARY)

Description: Of the ten churches that make up Pioneer Parish, eight are located in DeKalb County, one in Noble County and one in Steuben County, Indiana. Four buildings are in villages and six in the open country. Total Parish membership is 418 persons - the largest local church has 70 members and the smallest registers 19 persons as members. Parish Church school enrollment totals 715 persons. The focus of the Parish is Auburn, Dekalb County seat, where two members of the pastoral team live. The third pastor lives near Garrett.

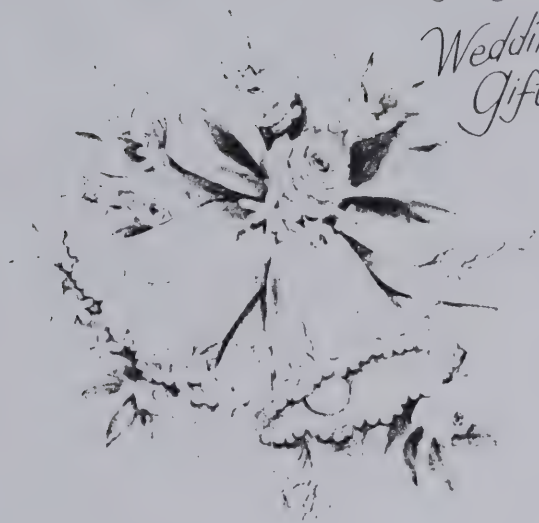
Purpose: Pioneer Parish is an idea about ministering rather than a geographical arrangement of preaching appointments. Through a team ministry and a representative laymen's council the following purposes have evolved: "to provide a creative ministry in town and country churches ... to strengthen each local church through group planning and action ... to deepen personal faith in Christ ... to extend the frontiers of Christian fellowship."

Parish Council: Since June, 1958, the Council has met monthly for planning, discussion, and fellowship. Two laymen from each local church represent their local church at these meetings. The Council meets in one of the Parish churches rotating in alphabetical order. Each Council member is encouraged to report the meeting to his own local church. At present the pastoral team initiates Parish-wide programs which the Council approves and coordinates.

Team Ministry: Pastors serving the Parish consider themselves a "team." Though each man is appointed to three or four churches, he considers himself a "pastor to Pioneer Parish." To cement this idea the three pastors exchange pulpits one Sunday morning each month. (See the map on next page for distances between the pastoral groups of the Parish) Now serving as pastors are Gene Stolte, a full-time unordained supply; Arleon Kelley, a half-time student pastor; and John Dicken, a full-time ordained pastor. This pastoral team meets each week for fellowship and planning. Each pastor has responsibility for the local churches to which he is appointed; yet he benefits from the united judgment and experience of the pastoral team. Thus, three pastors face the job together.

(more on next page)

*Thank You
for Your
Wedding
Gift*



*Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Bartles
request the pleasure of your company
at the marriage of their daughter*

Margaret Dolores

to

*Mr. Lowell Calvin Gaskill
on Saturday, the eighth day of June
Nineteen hundred and fifty-seven
at two o'clock*

*Meese Chapel Methodist Church
five miles southeast of
Auburn, Indiana*

*Reception at home of
bride's parents
three to five o'clock
Route 2, Auburn, Indiana*

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INFANT GOVERNMENT OF ITALY MAY BE TOPPLED

ROME (UP)—A Parliamentary
committee met today to check an
apparent confidence vote miscount
which could topple the government.

Zoll's three-day-old government
and force Italy into premature
general elections.

A 16-man committee of the
Chamber of Deputies will make a
formal recount of Friday's confi-
dence vote which endorsed Zoll as
premier. The committee will an-
nounce its findings Tuesday.

Authoritative sources said the
recount would show two deputies
were recorded as abstaining when
they actually voted against Zoll in
the confidence test.

HEIGHT OF LOVE

CHEMAN, England (UP)—Lan
Seager, 38, and three feet tall,
was married Saturday to Anne
Burrough, 23, and five feet six
inches tall. "We are in love and
our hearts and hopes are like
those of anyone else," Seager
said.

DICE-DUEL FATAL

INDIANAPOLIS (UP)—James
W. Kinnbrew, 39, Indianapolis,
was shot to death Saturday night
in a shotgun-revolver duel during
an argument in an alley dice
game. John Rippy, 37, Indianapo-
lis, was held on a preliminary
charge of murder.

DISCOVER TWAIN LETTER

LONDON (UP)—A letter written
by Mark Twain has turned up in
Russia, according to Radio Mos-
cow. The broadcast said the let-
ter, dated April 23, 1891, was ad-
dressed to Soviet revolutionary
writer Stepanyak Kravchinsky.

Nearly 2,000 species of shrimp
exist. The young pass through 10
larval stages. Most adults appar-
ently spawn only once and have a
life span of one year.

A DEKALB COUNTY COUPLE WED IN CHURCH CEREMONY

Miss Margaret Bartels becomes
Bride of Lowell C. Gaskill at
Moose Chapel Church

The Moose Chapel Methodist
church, southeast of Garrett, was
the setting for the ceremony Sat-
urday afternoon at 2 o'clock which
united in marriage Miss Margaret
D. Bartels and Lowell C. Gaskill.
Parents of the couple are Mr.
and Mrs. Paul E. Bartels of south-
east of Auburn and Mrs. Ira Gas-
kill and the late Mr. Gaskill of five
miles southeast of Garrett.

Hampers of pink and white glad-
doli and palms flanked with candel-
abra graced the altar where the
Rev. Keith Davis, pastor, read the
double ring nuptial vows.

Mrs. Mabel Harner of Auburn,
organist, presented the bridal
music. Selections were "Indian
Love Call" and "Always." The
traditional wedding marches were
used.

The bride was attired in a light
blue silk shantung sheath dress
with white accessories and her
corsage was of pink roses and pink
carnations. Her only jewelry, a
pearl and gold necklace with
matching earrings, was a gift from
the groom.

Attending her sister as matron of
honor was Mrs. V. DeLoss Culbert-
son of near Auburn. She wore a
beige dress with white accents and
her corsage was of pink roses and
pink carnations.

Argil J. Berry of south of Garrett
served as best man and the ushers
were V. DeLoss Culbertson of near
Auburn and Ralph Hageman of
south of Garrett.

Mrs. Bartels chose a beige linen
dress with light blue accessories
and the groom's mother wore a
white dress with pink accessories.
Both mothers had corsages of pink
roses and pink carnations.

After the ceremony the newly-
weds greeted relatives and friends

at a reception held at the home of
the bride's parents. A three-tiered
wedding cake topped with a moun-
tainscape bride and groom centered the
bridal table. Assisting with the
serving were Mrs. Ralph Hageman
of south of Garrett, sister of the
bride, Mrs. Matt Coffey of Clayton,
N. Y., sister of the groom, Mrs.
James Habig and Mrs. Ronald Em-
enhiser and the Misses Mary
Ellen Baughman, Dorothy and Nila
Hanes, of near Auburn.

The bride was wearing a lilac
sheath dress accessorized with
white when the couple left for a 2-
week wedding trip to Florida. When
they return they will be at home at
331 1/2 East 9th street, Auburn.

A graduate of St. Joe high school
with the class of 1947 the bride was
employed for the past seven years
by the Messenger Corp. of Auburn.

The groom was graduated from
Huntersville high school with the
1945 class and he is a graduate of
the National Radio Institute at
Washington, D. C. He served two
years with the armed forces in
Europe. For the past two years he
has been employed by Dana Corp-
oration, Fort Wayne.

SIX MILLION CANADIANS EXPECTED TO VOTE TODAY

OTTAWA, Ont. (UP)—An esti-
mated six million Canadians went
to the polls today to vote in a na-
tional general election to choose a
government for the next four
years.

Voting is for the members of
the House of Commons which will
then pick a government from the
majority party to rule until 1961.

The Liberal government of 75-
year-old Prime Minister Louis St.
Laurent is favored to retain pow-
er. The Conservative Party stan-
dard bearer is John Diefenbaker,
61, of Prince Albert, Sask.

Only two-thirds of Canada's nine
million eligible voters are expect-
ed mark their ballots.

WILL VISIT ENGLAND COPENHAGEN, Denmark (U

Queen Ingrid and her three
daughters will fly to England on
private visit next week. It is
understood that the Queen was
to find an English school for
second daughter, Benedikte, 1

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... before he died.
The body was removed to the
link funeral home at Angola. Ar-
gements for the funeral have not
made. Burial will be made at
gola.

Mr. Kyle was born Jan. 21, 1890.
Defiance, O., and moved with his
ents to Goshen when he was 12
rs old. He came to Auburn in
17 to take a position in B. W.
dler's shoe store. He served in the
y during the first World war for
ear and then returned to Auburn.
later was employed in Aaron Sa-
sky's store and then for 10 years
was a salesman for Auburn and
d automobiles. He bought a shoe
e at Angola seven years ago and
l the business last May. He had
been active since that time be-
of ill health.

fr. Kyle and Blanche Miser of Au-
n were married Dec. 25, 1917.
urvives, with three daughters,
Joseph Brinkerhoff of 307 South
rison street, Garrett, and Mary
abeth and Doris Susan Kyle, at
e. Other survivors are the moth-
Mrs. Estella Kyle of Goshen;
e brothers and three sisters: Del-
and Fley Kyle and Mrs. Goldie
field of Goshen, Wayne Kyle of
as, Tex., Mrs. Hewitt Smith of
art and Mrs. Adam Dillman of
in, O.

**N CRAWFORD SUES HER
HUSBAND FOR DIVORCE**

Hollywood, Mar. 12 — Joan Craw-
ford, who won an academy award for
acting in a story of divorce,
today filed proceedings today to di-
vorce her third husband, Actor Phil-
ip Terry.

Miss Crawford, whose coronation
week as best actress of 1945
ended her second climb to movie
stardom, said she would charge men-
tally.

She and Terry, a featured player,
separated last December, ending a
marriage the movie colony thought
one of its happiest.

Professional jealousy was believed
to have been a factor in the separa-
tion. Miss Crawford and Terry, who
had not even been rumored interest-
ed in anyone else, surprised Holly-
wood with their marriage July 21.
Neither was a movie favorite.
Terry is 37 and Miss Crawford

**STOCKS MAKE IRREGULAR
ADVANCE IN LIGHT TRADING**

New York, March 12. — Stocks
made an irregular advance today on
lightest trading since August 4.
Following irregularly lower, the
market moved up steadily from the
lows but there was no rush to
buy in any section. Special issues
rose more than 2 points in a
number of instances on selective de-
mand. A few issues lost a point or

which discharged all of the veterans
was withheld since no formal suit
has been entered and no conference
has been held with company offi-
cials.

A potluck dinner and kitchen show-
er was given in honor of Mr. and
Mrs. Lester Osburn at the home of
their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.
Ezra Rohm, north of Auburn Sun-
day. Those present were: Mr. and
Mrs. Lester Osburn of Auburn, Mr.
and Mrs. Raymond Osburn and fam-
ily of near-LaOtto, Mr. and Mrs.
Chester Osburn and son, Clyde, of
Auburn, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Keller
and family of near Butler, Mr. and
Mrs. Floyd Keller, Jr., and son, Cleo,
Mr. and Mrs. Elza Rohm and son,
Carl, of near Auburn, Mr. and Mrs.
Edward Rohm and daughter, Earline,
of Golden Lake, Mr. and Mrs.
Ross Pendland and family of Pleas-
ant Lake, Junior Ladson of Water-
loo, and the host and hostess, Mr.
and Mrs. Ezra Rohm.

**ELEANOR BARTLES BECOMES
BRIDE OF V. D. CULBERTSON**

Announcement is made of the
marriage of Miss Eleanor J. Bartles,
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bar-
tles of Jackson township to Vernon
D. Culbertson, son of Mr. and Mrs.
Vernon Culbertson also of Jackson
township, which took place at 2 o'-
clock Sunday afternoon at Meese
Chapel church. The Rev. H. E. Wis-
well of Ft. Wayne performed the
single ring ceremony.

Margaret Bartles was her sister's
only attendant and Phillip Weren-
burg was best man.

The bride wore a gold colored
street length dress with black acces-
sories and a corsage of pink carna-
tions. Her sister chose an aqua
colored dress with black accessories
and a corsage of pink carnations.

Only the immediate families wit-
nessed the wedding. Following the
ceremony a reception was held at
the bride's home.

The bride, a graduate of Auburn
high school, until recently was em-
ployed as secretary at the Franklin
Security Co. in Auburn. The groom
also is a graduate of the Auburn
high school. Mr. Culbertson was dis-
charged from the army air corps last
October after serving two and one-
half years in the service, part of this
period in the Pacific area. The
couple will reside on a farm in Jack-
son township.

LICENSED TO WED

Edward James Greer, 22, hotel
manager, and Emogene Goodwin,
19, secretary, both of Waterloo.

Hawaii is composed of twenty is-
lands and 6,449 square miles. Only
nine of the islands are inhabited.

Hawaii lies about 2,100 miles
southwest of San Francisco and ap-
proximately 3,400 miles east of Yo-
kohama.

reduced their imports from the Unit-
ed States and used their present sur-
pluses for export.

He said this would be in addition
to the estimated 2,000,000 tons this
country could save through conserva-
tion measures announced yester-
day by the famine emergency com-
mittee.

Mr. Hoover said present bread
grain supplies now "in sight for ex-
port" total between 11,000,000 and
12,000,000 tons. He estimated the
need at about 21,000,000 tons.

"The problem is how to make up
this 9,000,000 ton deficit and still
maintain present bread rations in
all famine-stricken countries," Mr.
Hoover said. "Bread rations in these
countries cannot be reduced by the
45 percent implied by the present
export shortage if minimum health
and welfare standards are to be
maintained."

Mr. Hoover named five men who
will accompany him on his overseas
trip. Four of them, Hugh Gibson,
Maurice Pate, Perrin Galpin and
John Brown Mason, were food ad-
ministrators abroad following World
war I. The fifth, Dr. D. A. Fitzger-
ald, heads the Agriculture depart-
ment's food allocations and require-
ments division.

Mr. Hoover said he also expects to
pick up four or five men now in Eu-
rope who served the food relief
cause following the last armistice.
He did not give their names.

The former president conferred
with Secretary of State James F.
Byrnes following the press confer-
ence.

The voluntary food rationing pro-
gram was worked out by the famine
emergency committee.

Committee Chairman Chester Dav-
is said this country must draw in
its belt to tide Europe over the next
four critical months until it can har-

stop trimming toast and sandwich
crusts, substitute potatoes for wheat
and rice and substitute fruit desserts
for pastries and cakes.

They also were asked to serve sin-
gle crust pies and open sandwiches,
boil or broil foods instead of frying
them to save fats, used boiled dress-
ings instead of oil dressings and sal-
ads and use alternative foods for
wheat cereals.

**HAUPT TO SEE WIFE FOR
FIRST TIME IN 18 MONTHS**

Chicago, March 12. — Warden
Frank Sain of the county jail an-
nounced that he had agreed to ar-
rangements for Mrs. Erna Emma
Haupt to visit her husband, Hans
Max Haupt, Wednesday in the coun-
ty jail. Haupt is awaiting a govern-
ment mandate sending him to a fed-
eral prison for life on a treason con-
viction.

Sain said he received a call from
Marcus T. Neeley, chief operations
officer of the U. S. Immigration
Service today asking the arrange-
ment be made. Mrs. Haupt, once
convicted of treason but, after ap-
peal, ordered deported, was brought
to Chicago last week from Ellis Is-
land. The Haupt's have not met for
18 months.

**U. S. TROOPS IN JAPAN ARE
MAKING GAIN IN WEIGHT**

Yokohama, March 12. — American
troops in Japan have gained an aver-
age of 10 pounds a man, Col. V. J.
Erkenbeck, Eighth army surgeon,
estimated today.

He said that in addition to gain-
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food, they are living in a climate
that stimulates the appetite.

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Our Home was lost



The Lutheran Church believes that:

That God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost,
make the Holy Trinity or one God.

LENTEN SERVICES AT ST. MARK'S
Ninth and Van Buren Streets

Sunday 10:45, "Christian Service Brings True Joy"
Wednesday 7:30, "Power Overlooked"

But the Red Cross gave it back

"It's SOMETHING we'll never forget" — people —

Records of Methodism in Indiana Preserved at DePauw University

Answers to questions about Methodist and Evangelical and United Brethren churches in Indiana, their ministers and parishioners, may be found in the joint Archives of Indiana United Methodism and DePauw University in Greencastle, Ind., a recent article in *Hoosier United Methodist* points out.

Prepared by the news bureau of the university, the information explains that records of both the North and South Indiana conferences of the church and those of the university make up the record groups of the archives. There are many inter-connections between the two, Archivist Wes Wilson notes, due to the prominent role of Methodists in the founding of DePauw (Indiana Asbury) in 1837 and their continuing cooperation to this day.

The archives is located in Roy O. West Library on the DePauw campus. Complete sets of Indiana Methodist conference minutes are held as well as minutes of Evangelical United Brethren conferences.

Information of a more detailed nature about local churches is provided by churches themselves, through records kept and then placed in the archives and through histories written to commemorate church anniversaries.

Particularly interesting in the archives and more personal in nature are the papers of retired ministers — circuit riders to the present. This material includes pocket records, personal diaries, letters, sermons, and records of baptisms, marriages and funerals performed.

Photographs are also found in the collections. They often support the written record and provide new information. The pictures can be useful as illustrations in contemporary church histories.

One of the most common uses of the archives, the staff reports, is in answering genealogical inquiries about membership, baptisms, marriages and the like. When records are not found at DePauw, the archives can often refer persons to a source — through its Church Records Survey made several years ago by each church in the state. Local church histories usually include a list of ministers who served a particular church and minutes tell who retired or died in a given year. Obituaries of ministers are often informative about life-time activities.

Early conference minutes sometimes even tell who gave to the local church — and how much — if over 50 cents. Official records of local churches deposited in the archives may include everything from membership to the decisions made in the operation of the church.

Two scholars are presently using materials in the archives to outline the growth of the Sunday school movement in United Methodism and to evaluate relationship of the church of the family in the 19th century.

Renovation of the Roy O. West Library is slated for 1986, to improve the reading room, increase stack space and exhibit area, and to provide a processing and conservation lab. At present, however, the archives is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the school year. Summer hours are 9 to 4. Reference questions can be submitted by phone or mail, and tours of the facility are offered. For more information, contact Wesley Wilson, Archives and Special Services, Roy O. West Library, DePauw University, Greencastle, IN 46135 (SASE with inquiries, please). (Thanks for the clipping from Margaret De Leurere, Hobart, Ind.)



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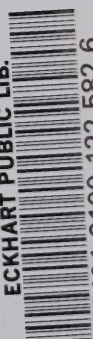
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